

Epoxy and Wood Floor Cleaning Procedures

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Non-Detergent Cleaner for Epoxy and Finished Wood Floors

All detergent cleaners and disinfectants work by finding soil and attaching to it. And all detergents, even properly diluted and properly applied leave behind a sticky residue. This residue builds up over time, attracting and trapping incoming soil and holding onto odors. **Split!** products work by splitting all organic non-solid molecules into its base material for easier removal without leaving detergent residue behind. Even decades of detergent and soil coated on epoxy floors can be removed, and regular mopping with Split! afterward will keep you from ever restorative scrubbing again!

Initial Use or Restorative Cleaning

- 1. Dilute *Split!* Restorative Cleaner at 16 oz per gallon of cold water in a mop bucket or in the clean solution tank of the floor machine.
- 2. Apply the solution to the floor by mop or through the use of the solution tank.
- 3. Allow the solution to dwell for five or ten minutes prior to scrubbing, to assist in breaking through multiple layers of soil and detergent residue.
- 4. Scrub small areas with a rotary machine equipped with a soft brush or a red cleaning pad in the motion used as if stripping a floor. More important than dwell time is repeated mechanical agitation, about as many passes as if you were stripping multiple coats of finish. Use long-handled soft scrub brush for areas that cannot be reached by machine.
- 5. At first you will see soil, and then heavy soil. Keep scrubbing. Next you will see suds, and then heavy suds. There are no suds in *Split!*, they are coming up off of your floor!Continue scrubbing until you are satisfied that you have released as much detergent as you can, then move to another area.
- 6. Do not allow dirty solution to dry. Use a wet/dry vacuum to remove the maximum amount of liquid.
- 7. If the floor cleanliness is acceptable, rinse with clear water and a clean mop. Wring the mop out frequently, keeping it fairly dry, and change rinse water as needed.
- 8. If the floor cleanliness is not acceptable yet, repeat the above procedures. A restorative procedure of older epoxy floors can take 2-3 applications.
- 9. After the final rinse, allow the floor to dry. Then identify any missed or trouble areas.
- 10. If a haze occurs, rinse the floor again being sure to use clean, clear water and wring your mop out well microfiber string mops are very effective for both daily use and for detail rinsing. The use of a wet vacuum for initial pick up usually prevents this problem.

Maintenance Cleaning

Once your epoxy or finished wood floor has been cleaned of existing detergent residue and soil it will be shockingly noticeable! Even textured, slip resistant epoxies appear as if they were just installed.

From here we recommend exclusive use of **Split!** Non-Detergent Cleaner for daily use. If detergents are never again applied to the floor, it will always dry after cleaning to this like new appearance. If detergents are again applied to the floor, you will need to repeat the above restorative procedure before starting a daily use Split! program.

Dilute *Split!* Non-Detergent cleaner at 2-4 ounces per gallon of water. Follow best practices/ procedures for mopping or for automatic scrubbing. Enjoy your epoxy or finished wood floor!