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How to care for your Epoxy floor

You will want to provide at least minimal maintenance for an epoxy floor to keep it in top shape. Even though they are low maintenance, common sense should prevail in caring for them.

1. Keep the surfaces dirt and grit free.

Especially if you are moving machinery or vehicles on and off the floor. Dirt and grit will embed or scratch an epoxy floor if allowed to remain there. It's a good idea if you remove all sand or dirt on a regular basis because even though Epoxy floors are tough, they can start to show the damage from multiple scratches over time. Best way to do that is to use a vacuum with a soft brush attachment. How often you vacuum depends on how much dirt and grit are tracked onto the floor.

2. Avoid using chemical-based cleaners.

Chemical-based floor cleaners leave a haze on the epoxy flooring that builds up over time. Epoxy floors do not need chemicals to clean, warm water, and a good mop or soft brush should be just fine. If you need extra scrubbing power use something like a PH Neutral cleaner to aid you with the tougher spills.

3. Spot Cleaning.

Often you only need to vacuum or sweep a small area of the floor where something has been spilled or tracked in. If liquid has been spilled it needs to be wiped up along with any dirt and grime and then clean the area with a mop and warm water. Epoxy floors are highly water resistant and very easy to clean when liquid spills occur.

4. Heavily soiled epoxy floors.

The best way to clean up a dirty epoxy floor is as follows: Sweep and vacuum the entire area carefully. Remove all items in the way to get to the floor. Once you have removed all the surface dirt, grime, and grit, use a hard foam mop and warm/hot water to get rid of all the built-up dirt. After that, you can use a clear water mix (of hot water) for second mopping.

5. Stains

Some stains, such as rust, need to be lightly scrubbed with a kitchen scrubbing sponge or a soft brush and warm water. Avoid using steel wool or harsh chemicals, they are too abrasive. Don't ever use any cleaning compounds with citrus or acid in them. Citrus cleaners and vinegar will break down the epoxy catalyst and must be avoided.

6. Oil, car chemicals and other chemicals.

Wiped up, oil and other car-related chemicals with a paper towel. The important thing about car spills is to not allow them to sit on the floor surface for too long. Even engine oil has chemicals that could be potentially hazardous to an epoxy floor. Clean up spilled petrol immediately, because it will damage the surface of an epoxy floor if allowed to sit for too long. Paint, household cleaners and other abrasive liquids need to be cleaned up immediately.