

SPORTS FLOOR MAINTENANCE

DAILY BEST PRACTICES

1. To prevent premature wear of the floor finish, dust mop as often as possible (at least once a day) to remove sandy grit and loose debris.
2. Treat the dust mop once per week and launder dust mop head when soil and residue buildup occurs.
3. Dedicate a dust mop for use on gym floor only.



Clean any soft rubber scuff marks, soda residue, or other deposits from your floor as soon as they are noticed with Praters Court Marshall™ (1:4) in a spray bottle and wipe clean with a cotton towel. Pre-treat tough stains with Court Marshall™. Spray on liberally and let the solution sit for a few minutes. Wipe with clean towel.



WEEKLY BEST PRACTICES

Dust mopping only removes the sandy grit from the floor. To remove organic soils (sweat, spills, naturally occurring debris) the floor should be tacked with an alcohol-based cleaner. Tacking your floor at least once a week (more if traffic dictates) with Praters Court Marshall™ will keep your floor free from the organic soils, oil, and dirt that can damage the finish and make it slick. Tacking is the quickest and most effective way to clean a gym floor. Unlike mopping, which spreads dirt and oils around the floor, tacking allows for complete cleaning of all dirt and oil from the surface of the floor. This also ensures good traction prior to a game or event.



1. Mix Court Marshall™ wood floor cleaner 1:4 (32 oz./gallon) with water in a clean mop bucket. Saturate several large towels in the solution and thoroughly wring out to remove excess liquid. Towels need to be wet but not dripping.
2. Wrap one towel around the head of a soft bristled push broom.
3. Starting at one end of the floor and working with the grain of the wood, push the towel across the floor. Upon reaching the opposite end, reposition the towel so that there is always a clean edge of the towel under the head of the broom. Use both sides of the towel and flip when necessary. Replace soiled towels as needed with clean ones. Do not put soiled towels back into the cleaning solution. Launder soiled towels after use.



GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS

Never apply waxes or resilient tile floor finishes to wood floors.

Maintain proper matting at entrances to the facility. Clean mats on a regular basis.

Periodic Deep Cleaning: Use an auto scrubber with white polishing pads. Mix Court Marshall™ wood floor cleaner 1:8 (16 oz./gallon). Do not overuse this method.

Maintenance Recoating: Sports floors should be recoated on an annual basis to protect the wood and painted surfaces.

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