

## MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTION – EXPONA SUPERTILE

### 1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Well planned and regular maintenance, tailored to traffic conditions and frequencies, will help keep the floorcovering in pristine condition. Without regular maintenance, standards of appearance, hygiene and cleanliness, as well as the life expectancy of the floorcovering, will be compromised.

EXPONA incorporates a polyurethane (PU) surface treatment, which protects the floorcoverings by resisting soiling. This protection facilitates the maintenance and provides the foundation for the ongoing maintenance regime.

### 2. PREVENTATIVE MEASURES

In the initial stages of construction planning, attention should be paid to minimising the amount of dirt and water that can enter the building. To facilitate this we strongly recommend the installation of passive dirt barrier systems in all entrance areas e.g. scraper and moisture mats. The mats should be positioned to ensure that access cannot be gained without walking on them, ideally they should be at least four to six paces wide.

### 3. INITIAL CONSTRUCTION CLEAN

After laying, a final construction cleaning is to be carried out. All contamination and residue caused by production is completely removed here with a neutral or PU cleaner. The surface can be polished if desired with a single-disc machine (at least 400–600 rpm.) through using a white polishing pad, or in the case of strongly structured surfaces, by means of soft brush.

### 4. APPLICATION OF A FLOORDRESSING

The initial treatment is not necessary in the case of floor coverings with a PU layer.

The factory PU surface coating makes a simple, advantageous and economic cleaning possible.

### 5. ROUTINE MAINTENANCE

#### Daily

Mop sweep or vacuum the floor to remove dust and loose dirt. Stubborn marks should be removed using a neutral or a PU cleanser. If required, dry buff with a single-disc machine and a white pad.

#### Damp mop

Thanks to a 2-step mopping system with double wheeled bucket, good cleaning results are obtained.

#### Spray Cleaning / Burnishing

Burnish the floor by using a rotary machine (at least 400–600 rpm) and clean the floor by additionally using a spray cleaning product. This will add further protection and it will improve the appearance of the floorcovering. Use a clean soft white pad.

### 6. PERIODICALLY

It may become necessary to remove stubborn marks from time to time by using a neutral or a PU detergent according to the manufacturers' instructions.

### 7. REMOVAL OF POLISH

From time to time it will be necessary to strip back the polish layers, e.g. when routine maintenance does no longer bring about a satisfactory result. The interval is very much dependant on traffic conditions and maintenance methods. All soiling and any unsightly build up of polish should be removed by initially applying an emulsion polish stripper. The floor should then be scrubbed using a mono-pad rotary machine (green pad) or a scrubber and the slurry should be removed completely. Neutralise the floor with clean water. Then re-apply a floor dressing (polish of the polymer dispersion type or of the PU sealing type).

Please heed the recommendations of the cleaning agent manufacturer

### IMPORTANT NOTES

#### For hairdresser salons, car dealers

Substances with a colouring or bleaching effect must be removed immediately from the covering, in order to avoid any lasting impairment to the appearance. In these areas an additional coating with a mark-resistant 2-component PU sealing product is absolutely necessary even in the case of coverings which already have a PU layer.

#### For the health service

In areas where palm and skin disinfectants are used, we recommend an additional treatment with suitable polymer dispersion or PU sealing product before the first use.

#### For strongly frequented areas and surfaces

In areas which are expected to be highly frequented, e.g. shops, entrances, receptions etc., we recommend applying a suitable PU sealing product before first use.

#### General information

When using wheeled chairs, double swivel rollers are to be used (soft type). The contact areas of mobile furniture should be equipped with suitable felt or soft plastic bearings. When selecting cleaning and maintenance products and the mechanics used, ensure that these are adapted to one another and consider the manufacturer's notes.

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