



Homogeneous Resilient Tile

CLEANING & MAINTENANCE

Creative Terrain/Creative Terrain II

CLEANING EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES

Initial 2-Step Homogeneous Resilient Tile Maintenance

For optimal visual performance, it is very important to follow the specific directions for cleaning Mohawk Group's Homogeneous Resilient Tile. Proper initial treatment and continued cleaning will help keep your floor looking better for longer. Treating it otherwise can negatively impact visual appearance.

Equipment to Initially Clean Creative Terrain		
	Mohawk Deep Scrub Maroon Pad	Supplied and shipped at no charge by Mohawk (included in your order)
	Mohawk Deep Scrub	
	Mohawk Matte Floor Finish	
1	Low Speed Buffer: X20SSDS Floor Machine 20 in.	Similar to the Global Industrial Buffer: WQ6441253
Dry Mopping		
2	Deluxe Dusting Head, Fiberglass Handle & Frame	Such as U-Line H-866
3	Replacement Dusting Heads	Such as U-Line S-7119
4	Counter Brush Combo 11" (dust pan/brush)	Such as U-Line H-6416
Wet Mopping		
5	60" Clamp-Style Mop Handle	Such as U-Line H-9948
6	Mop Head Heavy Duty Blue	Such as U-Line S-18367
7	Mop Bucket with Wringer	Such as U-Line H-7401BLU
8	Clean Mat 24" X 36"	Such as U-Line H-1567
Microfiber Mopping		
9	Heavy Duty Microfiber Flat Mop System 18" Wide	Such as U-Line H-4506
10	Replacement 18" Microfiber Pads	Such as U-Line S-20083
11	6 Gallon Bucket with Lids	Such as U-Line H-8496
12	Plastic Liners 33" X 40"	Such as U-Line S-5344





PLEASE NOTE

Items 1-12 are not provided in your order. Mohawk Group provides the Deep Scrub Cleaner, Deep Scrub Pad and a Matte Floor Finish; however using a Spray Buff or High Shine Acrylic Finish remains an option after the Deep Scrub process if you wish to purchase and use one of these options.

MAINTENANCE

Initial maintenance is REQUIRED to ensure a good visual appearance. Before proceeding, please note the following:

1. After installation, allow the following wait times for adhesive before performing any wet mopping, stripping or finishing of the floor:
 - Total Bond: 8 Hours
 - FlexPress: 72 Hours
 - FlexPress: 24 Hours (Heat Welded Seams)
2. Mohawk Group only approves the following initial maintenance methods and procedures. Other unapproved methods and procedures may cause poor visual appearance. Clean all grooves and the general area of dust and debris.
3. Never, at any time, buff Mohawk Group Homogenous Resilient Tile in excess of 350 RPM.

NOTE: Floors become slippery when wet and care must be taken. Appropriate barriers to wet areas and “warning / caution” placards should be used in all instances.

Deep Scrub Cleaner

1. To start the required initial deep scrub cleaning process, sweep or dust mop the floor to remove any large debris.
NOTE: Never use oil base treated dust mops.
2. Dilute Mohawk Group Homogeneous Resilient Tile Initial Deep Scrub Cleaner with cool clean water (1:64 -- 2 oz. per gallon of water) and apply liberally to the area to be deep scrubbed.
3. **WEAR SAFETY GLASSES AND GLOVES.**
4. Sweep or dust mop floor to remove debris.
5. Do not use oil-based treated dust mops.
6. Apply liberal amounts of solution uniformly to floor with a mop.
7. Let stripper solution soak for 5 minutes. **DO NOT ALLOW SOLUTION TO DRY ON FLOOR.**
8. Using the Deep Scrub maroon pad, agitate the floor thoroughly with an automatic scrubber or low-speed rotary machine (350 rpm max). To enhance cleaning, place a red floater pad above the maroon pad before beginning the process. At least 5 passes are required to properly deep scrub the floor. Deep Scrub maroon pad every 1000 square feet (500 square feet per side).
9. Use an automatic scrubber, wet vac or mop and bucket to pick up dirty solution.
10. Mop up any tracks left by automatic scrubbers before they dry.
11. Rinse thoroughly and detail mop floor with clean water and clean mop.



12. Let floor dry completely before applying finish.

Matte Floor Finish

1. Ensure floor is clean and completely dry after the Deep Scrub process.
2. Apply Mohawk Homogeneous Resilient Tile Matte Floor Finish in a uniform coat using a microfiber flat mop system with a microfiber finishing pad.
3. Apply finish liberally to the mop head for even coverage without over saturating.
4. There are two methods for applying the Matte Floor Finish: Pour the finish into a roller tray and saturate the mop head and evenly spread the finish across the area to be treated, apply the finish directly onto the floor and use the microfiber mop to evenly spread the finish across the area to be treated.
5. Allow finish to air dry approximately 30–45 minutes before applying the next coat. More time may be needed in high humidity.
6. Apply at least two coats for optimal results.
7. Homogeneous Resilient Tile Matte Floor Finish leaves floors with a natural matte finish. NOTE: It is very important to follow the specific directions for cleaning Mohawk Group HT. Treating it otherwise can negatively impact visual appearance.

Ongoing Maintenance Instructions

1. An ongoing maintenance program is recommended. Though there are many ongoing maintenance products that can keep your Homogenous Resilient Tile floor looking good, it is impossible for Mohawk Group to test and approve all methods. For ongoing maintenance, please be sure to use a commercial grade neutral pH cleaner.
2. Frequency of maintenance can be daily or on a periodic basis depending on visual requirements, traffic and other site specific environmental conditions.
3. No maintenance program should ever include high speed burnishing. Never, at any time, buff Mohawk group Homogeneous Resilient Tile in excess of 350 RPM.

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Daily Maintenance

1. Sweep or dust mop the floor to remove any large debris. NOTE: Never use oil base treated dust mops.
2. Use a commercial grade neutral pH cleaner. Please follow manufacturer's instructions. Damp mop or auto scrub using a generic red pad. Rinse as necessary and then allow to dry completely.

Periodic Maintenance

Sweep or dust mop the floor to remove any large debris. Use a water-based treatment only. Damp mop or automatic scrub using a neutral pH cleaner and a Red pad. The floor can also be recoated to rejuvenate as necessary. To do so, automatic scrub using a neutral pH cleaner with a red pad. Rinse with clear water and allow to dry. Floor surface must be clean, dry, and free of residue



before the Matte Floor Finish is applied again.

Floor Finish Stripping Process:

Mohawk Group Deep Scrub can also be used as a floor stripper. Depending on foot traffic, the floor will eventually need to be stripped and more floor finish will need to be applied. If Periodic Maintenance is performed every 3-6 months, the floor should not have to be stripped but every 1-2 years depending on the level of foot traffic.

Before starting the stripping process, Sweep or dust mop the floor to remove any large debris.

Never use oil base treated dust mops. Dilute the Deep Scrub/Stripper 1 part cleaner/stripper to 20 parts of water or 6 oz per gallon with cool clean water and apply liberally to the floor. Be sure to always keep the surface wet. Using a maroon pad, agitate the floor thoroughly with a low-speed rotary machine, or automatic scrubber (350 rpm max). Pick up the solution with a wet vacuum, automatic scrubber or a mop and bucket. Then rinse with clean water only. Allow floor to dry completely before applying the new Matte Floor Finish or a commercial grade acrylic finish of your choice.

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