

Understanding Excelsior Care & Maintenance Products

Selecting the proper maintenance chemistry to perform the task of daily cleaning and then routine maintenance is critical to the success of the flooring installation. Our recommendations are made of products that we sell or provide based upon testing and consistency of those products. While we also are aware that situations vary and that the recommended products that are listed in our care & maintenance documents may not be used, we want to provide a description of those products and provide a few listed alternatives to our recommendations. These alternatives would be utilized in the same manner as the recommended, regarding dilution ratios, rinse recommendations, etc.

Resilient flooring is a flooring product tending or able to recover from strain or deformation caused especially by compressive stress as defined by ASTM. Similar products in this category are cork, linoleum, vinyl, etc. It is not similar in nature to "Hard Surface" products such as glazed ceramic, terrazzo, porcelain, quarry tile, polished or stained concrete, etc.

Cleaning chemistry that is designed specifically for Hard Surface flooring or flooring with finishes should not be utilized to clean & maintain rubber flooring. Similarly, products designed for multi-Surface cleaning such as glass, counters, bathrooms, etc. should not be utilized to clean & maintain rubber flooring.

Hard Surface and Multi-Surface cleaners are not the same as neutral pH floor cleaners as they typically contain either hydrogen peroxide or citric acid chemistry and they may not be appropriate to use in place of these products.

Industry standards for pH neutral cleaners do vary, we consider pH neutral to be within a pH range of 6.5 - 8.0 at time of use with proper dilution per manufactures instructions. Using the incorrect maintenance chemistry or using the correct maintenance chemistry incorrectly can and will cause damage to the product that is not covered by the product warranty.

INDIVIDUAL EXCELSIOR CARE & MAINTENANCE PRODUCTS

Excelsior NC-900 Neutral Cleaner is a pH neutral all-purpose cleaner for the post installation and daily cleaning of Resilient flooring products

Alternate products that provide similar results and may be used following our recommended practices and the dilution ratios provided by the manufacturer for the stated process are:

- XL North XL APC All Purpose Cleaner
- Hillyard Top Clean
- Spartan Chemicals Damp Mop
- Xcelente Multi-Surface Cleaner, Mixed for Cleaning Flooring using our Dilution Rates
- Clean By Peroxy Multi-Surface Cleaner, Mixed for Cleaning Flooring using our Dilution Rates
- Ecolab Rinse Free Neutral pH Cleaner
- Ecolab High Performance Neutral Floor Cleaner
- Diversey Stride
- Diversey Profi
- Diversey Prominence
- Diversey Stride Citrus*

****Products that contain fragrances such as citrus or contain citrus oils will require additional processes or maintenance cycles such as rinsing to remove the buildup of these fragrances and oils on the surface of the product***

Excelsior CM-910 Cleaner/Maintainer is a pH neutral cleaner and maintainer for the daily cleaning or long-term preservation of rubber floor coverings. Naturally leaves a small amount of finish to protect the flooring surface from the daily activities

Alternate products that provide similar results and may be used following our recommended practices and the dilutions ratios provided by the manufacturer for the stated process are:

- XL North Rubber Floor Cleaner
- Diversey WiWax

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Excelsior FR-920 Finish Remover is a highly concentrated finish remover specifically designed to remove topically applied flooring finishes from vinyl resilient flooring products

Alternate products that provide similar results and may be used following our recommended practices and the dilutions ratios provided by the manufacturer for the stated process are:

- *XL North XL Floor Stripper*
- *Diversey Pro Strip Ultra Heavy-Duty Floor Stripper*
- *Spartan L.O.E. Stripper*
- *ECOLAB Fast Action Floor Stripper*

Excelsior PR-930 Performance Remover is a finish remover specifically designed to remove topically applied flooring finishes from resilient flooring products that are sensitive to alkalinity, such as rubber flooring and crumb/recycled rubber flooring products

Alternate products that provide similar results and may be used following our recommended practices and the dilutions ratios provided by the manufacturer for the stated process are:

- *XL North Rubber Floor Stripper*
- *Diversey LinoSafe*
- *ECOLAB Fast Action Floor Stripper*

Excelsior MF-940 Matte Acrylic Floor Finish is a durable scuff resistance non-reflective matte acrylic floor finish developed for resilient flooring products

Recommended for use on all standard rubber flooring installations, not recommended for athletic rubber flooring applications.

Recommended for use on all standard vinyl flooring installations.

Alternate products that provide similar results and may be used following our recommended practices and the application recommendations provided by the manufacturer for the stated process are:

- *XL North XL Matte*
- *Diversey Carefree Matte*

Excelsior GF-950 Gloss Acrylic Floor Finish is a durable scuff resistance reflective extended-wear gloss acrylic floor finish developed for resilient flooring products

Recommended for use on all standard rubber flooring installations, not recommended for athletic rubber flooring applications.

Recommended for use on all standard vinyl flooring installations.

Alternate products that provide similar results and may be used following our recommended practices and the application recommendations provided by the manufacturer for the stated process are:

- *XL North XL 25*
- *Diversey Amplify*
- *Spartan Chemicals iShine*
- *Spartan Chemicals On an' On*

Excelsior PF-960 Performance Floor Finish is a durable scuff resistant flexible floor finish specifically designed for use over rubber resilient and sports floor coverings

Recommended for use on all standard rubber flooring installations & athletic rubber flooring applications.

Alternate products that provide similar results and may be used following our recommended practices and the application recommendations provided by the manufacturer for the stated process are:

- *XL North Rubber Floor Finish*
- *Diversey Over & Under Plus*

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Since there are many maintenance products available today for the commercial environment, we cannot evaluate each available product for fitness of use. We have thoroughly evaluated these products and recommend their use. Use proper PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) recommended by the chemistry product SDS and ensure all maintenance procedures are conducted per the cleaning products instructions. The use of Caution Tape and/or Wet Floor Signs is recommended to prevent slips and falls.

The use of the incorrect maintenance chemistry or the incorrect use of the correct chemistry for the maintenance of Resilient Flooring can and will cause damage to the product that is not covered by the product warranty. If you have a question about the fitness of use of other products, please contact customer service or technical services.

As with any maintenance program, be sure to use proper PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) according to the cleaning product SDS and ensure all maintenance procedures are conducted per the cleaning products instructions. The use of Caution Tape and/or Wet Floor Signs is recommended to prevent slips and falls.

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