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### **CLEANING & MAINTAINING STAIR TREADS**

These are products designed to be utilized without the application of a floor finish. But, to provide a stair tread surface that does not need a floor finish, it is necessary from the beginning to implement a well established maintenance program (cleaning and maintenance). And this begins with determining how you want to maintain the rubber flooring.

Understanding there is a difference between cleaning and maintenance. **Cleaning** is meant to be understood as the process of removing unwanted substances, such as dirt and other impurities, from flooring and/or service environments. **Maintenance** is meant to be understood as the routine recurring work required to keep flooring in such condition that it may be continuously used, at its original or designed capacity and efficiency for its intended purpose. Starting with the **Initial Cleaning / Post Installation** process, this process cleans and then begins to naturally seal the surface making it less likely to become heavily soiled, as quickly, from normal foot traffic.

### **INITIAL CLEANING / POST INSTALLATION**

Job site conditions will cause dirt and debris to be present on the installed treads. Initial Cleaning should only be performed after the prescribed timeframe for the product and adhesives utilized. However, the treads should be protected after installation prior to the completion of the Initial Cleaning.

1. Use a broom or blower to remove any dirt, dust, or debris.
2. Create a cleaning solution with the chosen product listed in the Initial / routine cleaning section of the table below and clean potable water according to the dilution ratios from the manufacturers label information based on soiling conditions.
3. Use a clean mop or pump-up sprayer to apply a cleaning solution to the area and let it stand for 5-10 minutes.
4. If stair treads are heavily soiled, re-apply the solution and allow the cleaner to remain on the surface for an additional 5-10 minutes before scrubbing and removing.
5. **Using a soft bristle deck brush or rotary scrubbing attachment**, wet scrub the stair tread to agitate the cleaning solution. **If using a pressure washer, ensure 1000 psi or lower is utilized and nozzle is kept a minimum of 8” from material.**
6. Rinse the area with clean, cool water and allow the floor to dry completely. Ensure the stair treads are clean and that all cleaning residue has been removed (this may require additional rinsing).

### **DAILY / ROUTINE CLEANING**

Routine maintenance is seen as something that needs to be done regularly. Routine could be daily, twice a week, weekly, etc. Given that each installation is different, the frequency of the routine will be determined by the following factors: type of soil or debris, type of facility, location within the facility, and use of the facility. It is likely the routine can and will change depending on factors such as time of year, increased or decreased use, etc. With the application of a finish, this routine should be done at a minimum of twice a month, if possible, to maintain the desired look of the flooring. **DAILY CLEANING IS RECOMMENDED.**

1. Use a broom or blower to remove any dirt, dust, or debris.

### **PERIODIC / DEEP / RESTORATIVE MAINTENANCE**

Over time, when daily cleaning and routine maintenance is not working or providing the desired results, the flooring may require a heavy-duty cleaning to remove build-up, scuffs from shoes or minor flooring damage.



# Flexterior Metal Stair Tread

## CARE & MAINTENANCE

1. Use a broom or blower to remove any dirt, dust, or debris.
2. Create a cleaning solution with the chosen product listed in the deep cleaning section of the table below and clean potable water according to the dilution ratios from the manufacturers label information based on soiling conditions.
3. Use a clean mop or pump-up sprayer to apply a cleaning solution to the area and let it stand for 5-10 minutes.
4. If stair treads are heavily soiled, re-apply the solution and allow the cleaner to remain on the surface for an additional 5-10 minutes before scrubbing and removing.
5. **Using a soft bristle deck brush or rotary scrubbing attachment**, wet scrub the stair tread to agitate the cleaning solution. **If using a pressure washer, ensure 1000 psi or lower is utilized and nozzle is kept a minimum of 8" from material.**
6. Rinse the area with clean, cool water and allow the floor to dry completely. Ensure the stair treads are clean and that all cleaning residue has been removed (this may require additional rinsing).

### PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE / FLOORING PROTECTION RECOMMENDATIONS

Do not slide or drag anything up or down the stair treads. When moving appliances or furniture, protect treads from scuffing and tearing using temporary floor protection.

### RECOMMENDED MAINTENANCE PRODUCTS

	Initial / Routine Cleaning	Deep Cleaning
<b>Excelsior</b>	<a href="#">NC-900 Neutral Cleaner</a>	<a href="#">NC-900 Neutral Cleaner</a>
<b>XL North</b>	XL APC All Purpose Cleaner	XL APC All Purpose Cleaner
<b>Spartan Chemical</b>	Tribase Green Solutions All Purpose Cleaner	Tribase Green Solutions All Purpose Cleaner
<b>Diversey</b>	Profi Prominence Stride	Profi Prominence Stride
<b>ECOLAB</b>	Ecolab Rinse Free Neutral pH Cleaner Ecolab High Performance Neutral Floor Cleaner	Ecolab Rinse Free Neutral pH Cleaner Ecolab High Performance Neutral Floor Cleaner
<b>Always follow manufacturers' labels for dilution ratios and use</b>		

### SUPPORT & ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

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<b>Product Technical Documentation</b>	<a href="http://www.flexcofloors.com">www.flexcofloors.com</a>
<b>Associated or Related Documentation</b>	<a href="#">NC-900 Neutral Cleaner Technical Data</a>

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