

TIMBER SPORTS FLOOR MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

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To retain your sealed timber floor in first class condition and protect your investment an adequate maintenance program should be established. We recommend the following proven procedures.

ENTRANCE MATTING

The provision of adequate matting at entrances will maximize the life and appearance of your floor by trapping abrasive dirt, grit and sand thus preventing scratching and premature wearing of the surface.

CONTROL OF FOOTWEAR

Street shoes should not be permitted on your timber sports floor. Establish a policy to allow only sports shoes on the playing surface and ensuring the treads are free of damaging stones and grit.

DAILY MAINTENANCE

REGULAR SWEEPING

Fine dust and dirt will create slip and wear problems. At least daily sweep entire floor to remove all dust and debris prior to any activity taking place. Some floors should be swept more often. A 1.8m V-Sweep Synthetic Fringe Mop is fast and effective on open areas. Smaller Sweep Mops are available for obstructed areas.

Note: The use of Dust Control Emulsions or Oil Impregnated Sweep mops is not recommended under any circumstances as they can cause slip hazards and interfere with the re-application of seal coats through the deposition of oil onto the playing surface.

SPOT MOPPING

Spot mop any spillages as they occur using a mop, bucket and Peerless GYMCLEAN solution at 40:1 dilution (1 cup to a bucket of water). Pay particular attention to spot mopping high activity areas – score benches, keys - that are subject to food, drinks, body perspiration etc.

BUFFING

Burnishing or high speed buffing once or twice weekly, particularly after wet clean, conditions the surface to a durable, clean, good-looking finish. With regular use a polishing machine will minimize scuffs and rubber burns and maintain a pleasing

gloss level, enhancing the general appearance of floor. Ensure the floor has been cleaned adequately prior to buffing and the correct pad is fitted to the polishing machine. Clean and change polishing pads as required.

WEEKLY MAINTENANCE

WET CLEANING

A regular wet cleaning program will enhance your floor and keep it clean, dirt free and safer. As a guide this can be done weekly, monthly or after any heavy function use. The frequency depends on soilage, environmental conditions and foot traffic. Peerless GYM CLEAN has been specifically formulated for the wet cleaning of timber sports floors – follow the label directions. The use of harsh detergents is not recommended nor is it necessary. Do not over wet your timber floor.

- The most efficient and effective method of wet cleaning a large area is with an Automatic Scrubber fitted with a red pad. The Automatic Scrubber lays down the Gymclean cleaning solution, scrubs the floor and wet vacuums the dirty solution leaving the floor clean, dry and safe.
- If an Auto Scrubber is not available wet mop the floor with a mop, bucket and Gymclean cleaning solution. Change the Gymclean cleaning solution as required.
- As an interim measure the floor may be tack ragged. A clean bath towel moistened (not wet) with a solution of GYM CLEAN and water folded over a broom makes an adequate tack rag. Rotate the contact surface regularly. Every 50-60m² wash the towel in the GYM CLEAN cleaning solution and thoroughly wring.

Note: Prior to the seal refurbishment process the floor should be completely cleaned of contamination by scrubbing with cleaning solution. Do not start your wet cleaning program for 7 days after the application of timber seal, when it has reached its maximum detergency resistance.

ANNUAL MAINTENANCE

The recommended procedure is as follows:

- Thoroughly scrub the entire floor surface with a solution of Peerless JAL Strobe AD24 or Gymclean AD21 at a dilution rate 20:1 with a red pad fitted to an Automatic Scrubbing Machine.
- Using the Advance Automatic Scrubbing Machine, pick up slurry and thoroughly rinse with clean cold water.
- If an Automatic Machine is unavailable use a Standard Speed Polishing Machine.
- Apply cleaning solution to a manageable area of the floor. Allow 3-4 minutes for the solution to act before scrubbing.
- Using a Wet & Dry Vacuum or mop & bucket, pick up slurry and thoroughly rinse.
- The damage caused by water to timber floors is well known, it is important that a minimum of moisture contacts the floor surface.
- Allow to dry. Cut back entire floor with 100g Sandscreen Discs (1 for every 100m²) under a rotary polishing machine.
- Hand detail all edges and corners, the entire floor should be swept with lint free cloths moistened with solvent to ensure removal of dust.
- Any additional line markings or touch ups should be done now and allowed to completely cure before proceeding. The lines must then be cut back prior to coating with seal.
- Apply one coat of Peerless JAL Super Finish Seal SE04 or Dual Coat using the "Two Man Method".
- Fill seal tray to $\frac{3}{4}$ capacity.
- Start in a corner and man 1 spreads the seal across the grain of the timber to a width of approximately 2 metres.
- Man 2 smooths the seal in line with the grain ensuring an even coat. Man 2 at all times pulls the applicator towards himself. Care must be taken that no applicator marks are left in the finish.

- This procedure continues until entire surface is coated. It should not be hurried as the final appearance depends entirely on the care taken in this step.

Allow 72 hours for the floor to dry and harden before activities commence. Allow plenty of ventilation. Lack of ventilation will extend the drying time.

While this procedure is designated annual it is likely that it will only be required every 18 months – 2 years. It is totally dependent on the amount of traffic and the routine maintenance systems employed.

A FINAL WORD

At periodic intervals your timber floor will require treatment by way of additional coats of Peerless TIMBER SEAL. We recommend that you thoroughly inspect your floor at regular intervals and schedule a retreatment prior to major restoration or full sanding being required. This will provide a lifetime of use from your timber floor.

For all your maintenance requirements contact your local Peerless JAL Sales Office. Our consultants can advise on the most suitable treatment and products for your individual application.

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RECOMMENDED PRODUCTS

- Peerless JAL Super Finish Seal SE04
- Peerless JAL Strobe Cleaner AD24/ Dual Coat
- Peerless JAL Gymclean AD21
- Lambs Wool Applicator/ Drag Tool
- Cotton Mop
- Screenback Discs
- Steelwool
- Bucket with Casters

EQUIPMENT

- Advance Automatic Scrubbing Machine
- Standard Speed Polishing Machine

PEERLESS JAL TECHNICAL ADVICE

Peerless JAL personnel who are fully trained and experienced are ready to offer advices and assistance. If there are any problems, doubts or a special requirement please contact your nearest Peerless JAL branch.

Advice given early will ensure costly rectification is not needed. Further, our personnel can advise on equipment to enable the routine maintenance procedures to be carried out in the most economical way.

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