Hard Floor Care – Applying Finish

Frequency

After stripping or scrubbing floor

Materials & Equipment

Mop bucket
Finishing kit – Use of the back pack system is dependent of the size of the area. This should be used if multiple areas are to be refinished over an extended period of time.
Wet floor/Caution signs
Towel or walk off mat
Blue painters tape
Floor finish

Areas Where Applicable

Vinyl Composition Tile (VCT) flooring or other flooring as directed

Preparation

Make sure to have all materials on hand and ready to use. Contact OCCE and reserve the area for as long as possible. Make sure there is enough time to complete the project. Have Energy Management adjust the HVAC units. Ensure all materials are on hand and ready to use.

Procedure

1) Use tape to protect baseboards, doorway transitions, and moldings.
2) Place wet floor signs, put on PPE and place towel or walk off mat outside the area that is to be cleaned.
3) Make sure mop bucket is designated “the finish bucket” and is free from contaminants.
4) Pour finish into the designated bucket.
5) Place mop in the bucket and wring out any excess finish.
6) Apply a thin coat of finish to the perimeter of the area.
7) Begin applying finish in a figure-eight pattern. The figure-eight allows for a 20% overlap; this leaves no missed spots.
8) The first coat should be applied in a north-south direction and additional coats should be alternated in east-west and north-south directions. This will eliminate any missed spots.
9) Allow the finish to dry for at least 45 minutes depending on conditions.
   NOTE: No more than 2 coats should be applied in a 24 hour period and a maximum of 6 coats should be applied to any given surface.

Cleanup

Wipe down, rinse, and dry all equipment. Return everything to their proper storage areas.

Safety and PPE Recommendations

PPE recommended includes hand and eye protection.

Performance Standards

Floor should “look wet when it’s dry.”