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Training Information

Market Segment:

Building Service Contractors, Education, Food Processing_Agricultural, General Manufacturing, Government, Healthcare, Lodging_Hospitality, Other, Retail **Title:**

HOW TO SEAL AND FINISH FLOORS

Check If Applicable:	\bigcirc	Rx Procedure	\bigcirc	None
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Tools & Materials Needed:

- A. Finish and seal mops and handles
- B. Bucket with wringer
- C. Plastic liners
- D. "Wet floor" signs gloves and glasses

Products:

- 1. Sealer of your choice
- 2. Finish that fits your maintenance program

Procedures:

- I. Purpose of Seals and Finishes
 - A. Seals and finishes protect and beautify the floor.
- II. Procedure for Sealing a Floor.

Put on gloves and glasses.

- A. Put a plastic liner into an empty bucket. Pour sealer into the lined bucket.
 - 1. Liner keeps the sealer uncontaminated by anything the bucket may still have in it.
 - 2. Clean up is much easier. Just twist, tie and toss.
- B. Place "Wet floor" signs at every entrance.
- C. Move the tools and materials required into the area where the floor is being sealed.
- D. Be sure footwear is clean prior to walking on clean, stripped floor.
- E. Dip a clean seal mop into the floor sealer. Wring out to the point where the mop is wet, but does not drip.
- F. Laying the seal:
 - 1. Start in the furthest corner.
 - 2. Frame a small area.
 - a. Fill in the center, working backwards.
 - b. Use a figure eight motion when moving your mop.

- 3. Move to next area and repeat.
 - a. Work side by side areas.
 - b. Keep overlapping edges wet.
- G. Allow the floor to dry thoroughly. Apply a second coat of sealer.
 - 1. Stay away from the baseboards, four to six inches.
 - a. This area gets little wear.
 - b. Avoid excessive build up by not coating to edge on second coat.
- H. When finished with the sealer coats,
 - 1. Wash out the seal mop and hang up to dry.
 - 2. Throw away any seal left in lined bucket. Twist, tie, toss.
 - 3. Once the floor dries, it is ready for a floor finish to be applied.

III. Procedure for Floor Finish

- A. Put a clean plastic liner into an empty bucket. Pour finish into lined bucket.
- B. Dip a clean finish mop into the floor finish. Wring out to the point where the mop is wet, but does not drip.
- C. Start laying a thin coat of finish at the farthest corner from the entrance.
 - 1. Stay four to six inches away from the baseboards.
 - 2. Frame an area, filling in with a figure eight motion.
 - 3. Turn the mop head over frequently.
 - 4. Move to next area and repeat.
 - a. Work side by side areas.
 - b. Keep overlapping edges wet.
- D. Allow the first coat to dry thoroughly before applying second coat.
- E. When applying the second and third coats of finish, continue to stay four to six inches away from the baseboard.
- F. The final coat.
 - 1. Apply a coat of seal or finish to the baseboard.
 - 2. Apply the last coat of finish on the floor up to the baseboard.
- G. When finished with the last finish coat,
 - 1. Wash out the finish mop and hang up to dry.
 - 2. Throw away any finish left in lined bucket. Twist, tie, toss.