

HOW TO FINISH FLOORS

Supplies and Equipment

EQUIPMENT

- “Floor Hazard” Signs
- Microfiber Mop handle
- 2 Microfiber Wax Heads

CHEMICALS

- Floor Finish

FLOOR PADS

- White Polish Pad
- White Cure Pad

The mop heads used in this procedure should be clean and only used for floor finishing

Procedure

1. Prepare floor to be finished.
 - a) Follow floor stripping procedure “How to Strip Floors”.
 - b) Allow floor to dry. Pick up any lint or other foreign material.
 - c) Move supplies and equipment to area where the floor is being finished.
 - d) Place “Wet Floor Hazard” signs at entrance to area if they are not already there.
2. Pour some finish onto the floor and wet the microfiber pad thoroughly.
3. Starting at the farthest point from the door, apply a thin coat of finish on floor next to the baseboard on each side of the corner.

Tip: Be sure to keep the microfiber wet so it does not streak the floor
4. Using a side to side (figure eight) movement, apply the finish to the floor area overlapping the strokes of the microfiber. Do not use a scrubbing action, or it will cause bubbles.
5. Someone can either go ahead in front of you and lay the small amount of finish or if you are working by yourself, lay the small amount here and there at appropriate location points to add more finish to the applicator.
6. Allow 15-20 minutes for the floor to dry or until floor does not feel tacky to the touch.
7. Repeat for each additional coats, except stay 6” - 12” away from the baseboards, with exception of the last coat. This area gets little or no wear since people cannot walk that close to the baseboard.

Note: Seven (7) coats are recommended for optimal results and maintenance.
8. If buffing is desired between coats to level the finish and to increase the gloss, be sure:
 - a) The floor finish used is buffable
 - b) To use the correct Floor pad on the floor machine.

Note: When buffing between applications of coats of finish, be sure to mop the floor with a dry dust mop head before applying the next coats.
9. Remove “Floor Hazard “ Signs after the floor is dry.
10. Clean microfiber mop for next use.
11. Clean up your equipment and store for next time.

Accomplishment

By following this floor finishing procedure, the floors appearance will be clean, attractive and easier to maintain.

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