

# Cleaning & Maintenance SPC - CORE COLLECTION



## 1. General notes

The design floor coverings from PROJECT FLOORS are already equipped with a PU coating, which is applied in the factory. Regular cleaning is required to guarantee optimal, long-term aesthetics as well as a long service life. Maintenance cleaning is depending on usage and the area of application, as well as the colour selected and the surface embossing of the design variant. Upon request, the wear layer can be additionally finished using a 2K PU sealing system. In certain instances, property-related factors make the application of an additional coating a wise decision (see point titled "Important information").

## 2. Precautionary measures

During the installation phase it is mandatory to protect the covering against mechanical damage inflicted by other works.

In order to protect the covering against mechanical damage by way of the ingress of dirt derived from water, sand, etc. it is recommended that suitable cleaning mats (no rubber backing) are placed at any occasion and time.

## 3. Cleaning post installation

After finishing the installation the surface must be cleaned to entirely remove and resultant soiling. This is not meant as basic cleaning (see point 6). The floor covering is to be cleaned with a PU cleaner or a basic cleaner, diluted with water (1:10). The dirt must be completely assimilated, and the surface neutralised after using clear water. Since click connections do not constitute a water-tight system, attention must be paid to the quantities of water and cleaning agents applied. In particular moisture-sensitive substrates may be damaged in this process. We recommend the so-called "dry wet wipe procedure" using a suitable wipe mop. Spraying on the cleaner using a pump bottle (e.g. with the Dr. Schutz Spray-Mop Set) is also recommended. Post installation cleaning is not a preparatory measure ahead of a care treatment (see point 4). Basic cleaning (see point 6) is required for this purpose.

## 4. Care treatment

Because of the pre-existing surface finish, initial care treatment is not mandatory. Depending on the area of application and the wear expected, a high-quality PU system can be applied if this is required. This involves applying an additional treatment to the floor covering to protect it against mechanical impact derived from daily wear and tear.

We shall be pleased to provide you with specific advice regarding application: Please get in touch with us!

## 5. Ongoing cleaning and maintenance

What is meant by ongoing maintenance cleaning is manual cleaning carried out using standard wiping devices. First, the coarse dirt is removed using a broom or vacuum cleaner. The area is then dry/wet wiped using the PU cleaner as described in the instructions for use. The Dr. Schutz Spray-Mop System is recommended here, too. For additional protection against scrapes and scratches caused by mobile furniture, felt pads are mandated for subsequent application. Office chairs that are to be used with PROJECT FLOORS floor coverings must be equipped with type W soft castors conforming to EN 12529.

## 6. Basic cleaning

Depending upon the level of soiling the floor may be cleaned, allowing greater intervals between treatments, with the basic cleaner R (Dr. Schutz) diluted as specified by the manufacturer. After complete assimilation of the dirt, the covering is neutralised with clean, warm water until all dirt and cleaning solution residue is completely removed. Thereafter, a care treatment (see point 4) can be carried out if desired. Since click connections do not constitute a water-tight system, attention must be paid to the quantities of water and cleaning agents applied. Moisture-sensitive sub-surfaces in particular may be damaged in this process.

By passing on these cleaning and care instructions, the installer is meeting his obligations as set forth in DIN 18365. The most current information on cleaning and care is provided on the website [www.project-floors.com](http://www.project-floors.com).

## 7. Important information

For additional protection against scrapes and scratches caused by mobile pieces of furniture, felt pads are mandated for subsequent application. Constant contact with rubber (s.a. furniture feet, tires, etc.) leads to discoloration.

### Commercial premises, walkways

In areas in which increased use is anticipated, we recommend the additional application of a suitable PU sealing system prior to first use.

### Hairdressing salons, car dealerships

Dr. Schutz's "Anti-Color", a stain and dye-resistant PU sealing system, is recommended to counteract discolouration and plasticiser migration.

### Health sector:

We recommend the use of a PU sealing system in all areas in which hand and surface disinfectants are used. This affords the covering optimal and long-lasting protection and prevents the disinfectant from potentially discolouring the covering.

### Value retention

PROJECT FLOORS coverings can, generally speaking, be finished or freshened up with the PU sealing system at any time if mechanical impact has resulted in signs of wear that can no longer be removed by exercising daily care.

If care products of other manufacturers are used, the respective care product manufacturer is first to be consulted. Should you have further queries about the correct cleaning and care of floor coverings, please get in touch with the advisory service provided by Dr. Schutz, Bonn: Tel.: +49 228 95352 0, Fax: +49 228 95352 28.

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