



## SelecTile Maintenance

### General Cleaning

1. Post signs to indicate cleaning is in progress.
2. Remove all debris and sweep or vacuum the floor.
3. As needed damp mop the floor using a neutral detergent. Apply detergent following the manufacturer's instructions. Rinse the area with clean water.
4. Scrub with single disc machine or automatic scrubber and 3M red pad or equivalent for general cleaning. Wet vac or remove with clean damp mop.
5. Rinse with clean water.

### Heavy Soiling

Low speed buffing or automatic scrubbing machines can be also be used for general cleaning. Scrubbing may also be required in areas of heavy soiling, ground in dirt or scuffing.

1. For general cleaning use a neutral detergent applied to the floor with clean mop. Dilute the cleaner per the manufacturer's instructions. For heavy soiling allow the solution to sit on the area for several minutes to loosen soiling.
2. Scrub floor with low speed machine and a red pad (3M or equivalent). For extreme conditions or heavy soiling use green pad (3M or equivalent).
3. Wet vac or damp mop scrubbed area as needed to pick up solution.
4. Rinse if needed.
5. Automatic scrubbing machines work in the same manner but automatically apply, scrub and remove the solution. Change solution as needed or as situations dictate. Make sure the machine has appropriate pad pressure.

### Helpful Hints

1. Always sweep or vacuum loose accumulation before applying cleaning solutions.
2. Use clean water, mops, pads and equipment.
3. Change water and cleaning solutions frequently especially in highly soiled areas.
4. Cleaning pads will build up with soiling, the dirtier the floor the quicker the pad build up. Flip and change pads frequently depending on the situation. Pads are reusable and can be cleaned with a hose, dried and reused.
5. Use of walk off mats in entryways will help to minimize tracking and soiling.
6. Use of a finish (after cleaning) can help minimize and prevent heel and scuff marks as well as impart gloss. When so desired a finish may be applied to the tiles. See "Finishes" below.
7. Different conditions may require various solutions, be flexible and adapt the best methods based on your experience as you proceed.

### Finishes

In certain instances an alternative maintenance program for SelecTile™ may be desired to enhance the appearance and help the floor resist scuffing. This is a normal and frequent occurrence especially in areas of use such as corporate, institutional or other applications requiring higher appearance retention than industrial or "back corridor" use. There are a myriad of companies who produce maintenance products that are easy to use, economical and provide additional protection and appearance retention.

Here are three National manufacturers' product recommendations, phone numbers and websites. For more detailed information please contact the manufacturer direct.

#### **S. C. Johnson Company**

Website            [www.scjprofessional.com](http://www.scjprofessional.com)  
Products:        Carefree™ or Vectra™  
Phone             1 800 558-2332

#### **Ecolab Inc.**

Website            [www.ecolab.com](http://www.ecolab.com)  
Products:        Taj Mahal® or Gemstar™ Laser™  
Phone             1 800 451-7191

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Products:        Taski wi-wax  
Phone             1- 800-827-5487