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APOLLO CLEANING & MAINTENANCE

A) INITIAL CLEANING AFTER INSTALLATION

Clean tiles thoroughly with a high CFM vacuum to remove residual dirt or debris left from installation. The tiles are coated with water-based release agent, a result of the manufacturing process. This will initially cause slight slipperiness. For fast removal, damp mop with a solution of Profi diluted in hot water; use a commercial microfiber mop. Be sure to mop with clean water to rinse away all detergent. Use a two-bucket system and change the water frequently. In rare circumstances, a more aggressive cleaning may be required to remove the release agent. This can be accomplished by using a water-based cleaner such as Stoner A538, which has a high pH. The high pH helps emulsify the release agent, while detergents keep it in suspension allowing it to be rinsed away. Apply undiluted A538 with a microfiber mop and let stand for 15 minutes. The cleaned area should be rinsed using a light weight auto-scrubber with a soft nylon cylindrical brush, and warm, clean water to remove residual cleaner. An rpm of 185 and brush pressure between 35 and 80 lbs are recommended. The water must be extracted after this step to remove any remaining moisture. It is recommended that you use a wet vac to extract moisture.

B) GENERAL MAINTENANCE

Typically, Apollo Rubber Flooring requires less maintenance than other types of flooring. Regular dry vacuuming is recommended with occasional damp mopping using a solution of warm water and Profi or mild household cleaner (1oz/gal). Use a two-bucket system with a commercial microfiber mop and change the rinse water frequently. Do not use a string mop. When cleaning equipment/furnishings with disinfectant or other strong cleaners, be careful that overspray

or excess cleaner does not drip onto the rubber flooring, strong chemicals may cause the surface to deteriorate. Products containing solvents and acids will attack the composite structure of the Apollo Tiles. Edgewood does not assume any responsibility for damages caused by chemical additives.

For interlocking floors, one step machines are not appropriate. Only use equipment that extracts dirty water as it cleans.

C) DEEP CLEANING

In areas of high traffic, a more aggressive cleaning may occasionally be required because of a build up of dirt. A steam vacuum is ideal for deep cleaning. If required, a neutral pH cleaner such as Profi can be used with this equipment (3 oz/gal). Be cautious not to flood the floor when using this equipment. It is important to use equipment that removes all liquids during the process. If necessary, tiles may be removed and cleaned thoroughly. Be sure that tiles are completely dry and free of foreign material before re-installing.