

NON-MECHANICAL STRIPPING

1. Assemble all equipment, chemicals and custodial hardware prior to beginning procedures. Read safety instruction on MSDSs and chemical product labels and comply as directed.
2. Place Wet Floor Signs and a 3' x 5' absorbent mat to serve as a placement mat for the materials and equipment at access area(s) to foot traffic.
3. Move all moveable objects from area(s) to be stripped.
4. Dust Mop floor with a synthetic, untreated dust mop to remove loose soil. Use scrapper to remove gum, etc. Dispose of litter.
5. Pre-clean baseboards if necessary.
6. Mix ES85 or ES90 Stripper with cold water in a clean bucket with wringer at pre-determined dilution from pre-test.
7. Apply stripping solution liberally to manageable area of floor with dedicated stripper mop. Do not allow dry back. Re-wet floor if stripping solution begins to dry before final pick up procedure.
8. Allow stripping solution 5 to 10 minutes dwell time. Agitate solution with mop while stripping solution is working.
9. Pick up stripping solution with a wet-pick up vacuum.
10. Check floor area(s) for any remaining floor finish that has yet to be stripped. Look carefully along edges, in corners or in dips and valleys. Repeat procedures as and if necessary.
11. Fill clean bucket with wringer with clean cold rinse water.
12. Damp mop/rinse floor with a clean, dedicated, rinse mop.
13. Change water in buckets frequently. Do not rinse floor with dirty solutions.
14. Check pH of floor and proceed with seal/finish application if floor tests neutral. If acidic or alkaline, adjust pH accordingly seal/finish. If the pH is too high, clear water rinse again and re-test to ensure the floor is at the desired pH. If the pH is too low, rinse the floor.

NOTE: To determine the proper dilution required to non-mechanically strip an area, pre-mix 'Stripper' at two dilutions. As an example, 1: 4 for regular stripping and 1: 2 for heavy duty stripping. Use dilutions on floor in area that represents the toughest stripping required. Allow 5 to 10 minutes contact time. Remove solution from test area (a 14" or 16" window squeegee will accomplish this task quickly and easily) and examine floor. If floor finish/seal has been successfully stripped, use the successful dilution established. If the floor finish has not been completely stripped, increase dilutions and re-test new areas. Once the proper dilution has been established, proceed using successfully established dilution.