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PROCEDURE SUBJECT:

Floor Stripping

PURPOSE:

Floor stripping is the process of removing all old floor finish and soil from the floor, which is done only when floor finish does not respond to cleaning or buffing procedures.

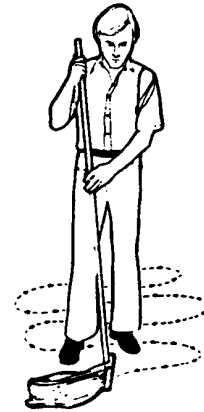
EQUIPMENT/SUPPLIES NEEDED:

- Floor stripper
- Water
- Floor scrubber
- Nylon scrubbing pads
- Wet mop equipment
- Three wet mops
- Wet/dry vacuum cleaner
- “Wet Floor” signs

PROCEDURE:

1. Refer to swing floor machine safe work procedure. Move furniture where applicable. Do not block passageway.
2. Place “Wet Floor” signs.
3. Dry-mop all floors before beginning stripping operation.

4. Mix stripper solution by carefully following label instructions. Refer to Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for ventilation and personal protective equipment (PPE).
5. Apply liberal amount of solution to approximately 15 square feet of floor always starting at opposite side of room from doorway.
6. Allow to stand three to five minutes (If solution dries, rewet floor before scrubbing). Scrub area, always keeping scrubber moving, and overlap each scrub path.
7. Where necessary to remove marks or low spots, “heel” machine over area for a few seconds to completely remove such spots.



8. Immediately pick up solution with wet mop pickup. Never allow solution to dry on floor. If this occurs, rewet and rescrub.
9. Follow by washing with rinse water several times.
10. Neutralize floor with mop and solution.
11. Be sure to mop baseboards to remove all solution.
12. When dry, remove “Wet Floor” signs.
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