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**Connor PowerDrop™ Maintenance Guidelines**

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1. **Maintenance Notes**

**By following the guidelines listed in this document you will be assured years of trouble free use from your new *PowerDrop* athletic surface and in addition lengthening the life of your floor.**

**Rubber Facts:**

* *PowerDrop* is composed of rubber which is a renewable natural product plus being environmentally friendly.
* Rubber matures with age as any natural product.
* Particularly, during the first 6 months to 1 year, your floor will be maturing as it is used, maintained, and exposed to the elements.
* It is not unusual during this time for the surface to appear to attract dirt and making normal maintenance slightly more demanding.
* After this initial maturing, or break in period, the surface will be noticeably easier to maintain.
* This is true for all rubber surfaces.

**General:**

* Maintain a consistent cleaning schedule: DO NOT allow dirt and grime to build up on your *PowerDrop* floor. Postponing or ignoring regular maintenance will not only make cleaning much more difficult, it may also affect the life of the floor and void your warranty.
* Place walk-off mats at door entrances to reduce dirt and grit from foot traffic. To be effective, mats must be vacuumed often and cleaned regularly.

**NOTE: Mats with black rubber backing may discolor and permanently damage the floor.**

* Check the legs of all tables and chairs before use to insure the protective end caps are not missing or damaged.
* Whenever possible, limit street shoes as they will carry in dirt, may scuff floor, and will increase maintenance time.
* Do not use caustic base cleaners such as those that are designed for toilets and hard tile.
* When using a battery powered automatic scrubber, maintain and periodically check the battery pack as acid will permanently stain a polyurethane floor.
* Periodically check bleacher operation when extending and retracting to avoid damage from malfunctions such as incorrect tracking or missing wheels.
* Do not use solvents, such as toluene, xylene, MEK or gasoline for spot removal.
* If cars or vehicles with pneumatic tires (especially new tires) are to be stored on floor for an extended period of time place protective pads under wheels to avoid staining.
* Do not drag volleyball poles, loaded tables or any sharp metal objects across floor.
* Connor does not recommend, nor advise, using temporary game line tape over wood or synthetic sports surfaces.
* Limit or restrict food and beverages as they will drastically increase maintenance time and some types of drinks, if allowed to stand, may stain rubber.
* Do not allow water to stand around exercise equipment as rust will stain rubber.
* **DO NOT SCRUB FLOOR FOR 72 HOURS AFTER INSTALLATION**

1. **Initial Cleaning**

**Equipment and Supplies:**

* Automatic scrubber, maximum 300 RPM equipped only with soft nylon bristle brushes.
* High quality backpack vacuum
* Taski Profi or a neutral low sudsing cleaner.

**Cleaning Regimen:**

* Remove all surface soil, debris, sand and grit by sweeping, dust mopping or vacuuming with a high CFM vacuum. For large areas, use auto scrubbers to clean floors.
* Scrub floor with Taski Profi or a neutral low sudsing cleaner using buffer or auto scrubber with a soft nylon brush or an approved pad. Avoid flooding the floor.
* Pick up solution with a wet vacuum. Rinse with clean water, picking up the rinse water with a wet vacuum and allow area to dry thoroughly (6-8 hours).

1. **Weekly Maintenance**

**Equipment and Supplies:**

* Automatic scrubber, maximum 300 RPM equipped only with soft nylon bristle brushes.
* High quality backpack vacuum
* Taski Profi or a neutral low sudsing cleaner.

**Cleaning Regimen:**

* Sweep, dust mop or vacuum floor to remove surface soil, debris, sand and grit.
* For normal cleaning dilute Profi 2 – 3 oz. per gallon, for heavily soiled surfaces 5 – 10 oz. per gallon *or* dilute following the manufacturer's recommendations.
* In large facilities clean one section at a time.
* Damp mop with a microfiber mop or auto- scrub using an approved pad.
* Mop again with clean water to remove residue.

**NOTE: IF AFTER DRYING, A WHITE FILM OR STREAKS APPEAR, THE FLOOR WAS INSUFFICIENTLY RINSED. If necessary, re-rinse or repeat cleaning process**

* Allow floor to completely dry before returning to use.

1. **Rejuvenation Cleaning**

**Perform this procedure every 1 to 2 years**

**Equipment and Supplies:**

* Automatic scrubber, maximum 300 RPM equipped only with soft nylon bristle brushes.
* High quality backpack vacuum
* Taski Linostrip

**Cleaning Regimen:**

* Sweep and dry vacuum floor thoroughly.
* Heavy scrub floor with Taski Linostrip. This cleaning may be performed with an auto scrubber or rotary scrubber.
* Vacuum soiled solution with a wet/dry vacuum.
* Rinse with clean water.
* In large facilities clean one section at a time.
* Thoroughly rinse floor with clean water, repeat as many times as necessary to remove all detergent and soil.

**NOTE: IF AFTER DRYING, A WHITE FILM OR STREAKS APPEAR, THE FLOOR WAS INSUFFICIENTLY RINSED. If necessary, re-rinse or repeat cleaning process**

* Allow floor to completely dry before returning to use.