How to Mop a Floor



Task Card

This process is for 'Wet Mopping', but should circumstances require the use of a minimal amount of water then consider alternatives such as 'Damp/Flat Mopping'.

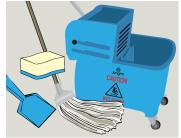
Equipment Required



Safety Signs.
PPE - Gloves.
Plus any additional PPE specific to chemical.



Sweeping brush/Vacuum.



3 Scraper.
Mop (colour coded).
Bucket (colour coded).
Abrasive pad.

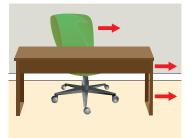


Floor Cleaning Solution.

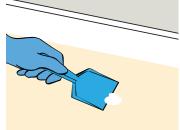
Preparation



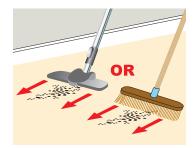
Place safety signs.
Wear appropriate PPE.



Clear the area by removing any obstacles such as tables, chairs and rugs.



Remove any chewing gum with use of scraper.



Prepare the floor by sweeping/vacuuming any loose debris.



5 Check the mop and bucket is clean and ready to use. If dirty, rinse out with clean water.



6 Fill mop bucket half way with water. (Don't fill it to the top as you'll need room for your mop)



Add detergent to water according to directions on the label.
(Note! Always add chemical to water, not the other way round as to avoid chemical splashing and/or foaming).



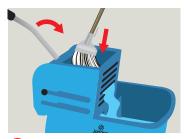
8 If possible, ventilate the room. i.e. open windows.



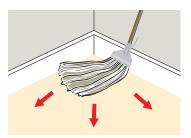
Mopping The Floor



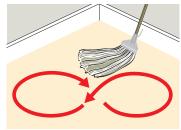
Place mop into bucket to absorb cleaning solution.



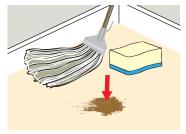
Wring excess solution/ water out of the mop.



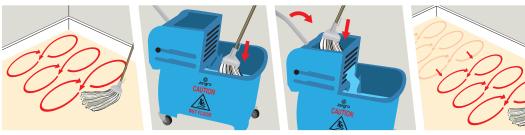
3 Start mopping in furthest corner of the room. Work backwards towards the door (This ensures you don't walk over the clean wet floor).



Mop the floor using figure of 8 stroke with each pass overlapping.



5 For heavy soiled areas, apply pressure to mop. Use abrasive pad for stubborn marks.



When you have covered a small area or when the mop is dirty, insert mop back into bucket. Wring mop and move to next area to be cleaned.

Take care to avoid splashes to walls & skirting boards, if this occurs then wipe clean with a damp cloth.

Final Stages



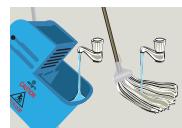
Once all the floor has been mopped, let the floor dry thoroughly.



Once dry, replace any furnishings that were removed from the area.



3 Discard dirty water from bucket.



Clean the mop and bucket.



Do not leave the mop in the bucket as it will rot and start to smell. Hang mop on holder with head down to dry out.



Remove sign when floor is dry.



Close any windows that were opened to ventilate.