

# Cortex Flooring Maintenance Guide

## Methods & Tips

### **MAINTENANCE & CLEANING**

- Adequate and periodic maintenance guarantees longer life for CORKTEX and good hygiene in the covering.
- A correct choice of colour and model depending on what the covering is to be used for and where it will be used, reduces the risk of dirt and deterioration of its original appearance.
- Avoid abrasive particles (earth, small stones, etc.) being deposited on the CORKTEX flooring, since they could damage its surface.
- Avoid dragging heavy objects or furniture on the CORKTEX surface without previously protecting it with a plastic sheet or cardboard.
- If spots should appear or occur, they should be eliminated as quickly as possible using the correct products and detergents for each type of stain. In this sense, bleach may be used at high concentrations of up to 70% without damaging the surface.
- When using wheelchairs, use hard wheels. Remember that hard wheels are recommended on soft materials and soft wheels on hard materials.
- Pay attention to prolonged fixed or mobile contact of gummy materials, which could leave stains on the surface of the covering.
- Do not use abrasive elements or sharp tools when cleaning.
- Clean manually each day and mechanically on a regular basis.

### **DAILY CLEANING (Manually)**

- Vacuum clean the CORKTEX covering or use a brush-broom to remove most dust particles and dirt.

- Pass a wet mop with warm or hot water and detergent over the surface to remove any small dirt stain and to restore its initial colour. Leave for 5-10 min. and rinse with a clean mop to remove the previously used detergent. Allow to air dry.

### **PERIODIC CLEANING (Mechanically)**

- Vacuum clean the CORKTEX covering.
- Clean the floor with a soft mechanical brush, using hot water and detergents and leaving them to work for 5-10 min.
- Scrubbing-drying machines can be used.
- If some stain has not disappeared, clean it manually with hot water, bleach or detergents. Repeat the rinsing and drying operation.
- To eliminate chewing gum or similar materials, Kärcher type pressure and steam machines can be used.