

Homogeneous Tile (HVT) AdVantage Series

Maintenance Guide



Linotesta® AdVantage / Strataline® AdVantage / Dynamic Stone® AdVantage
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Safety Precautions

- When performing any wet maintenance, always put out wet floor signs and caution tape. Remove when finished.
- Carefully follow each product's label instructions and MSDS for proper use and personal protective equipment.

Newly Installed Floor Care

- Wait 72 hours (3 days) before wet cleaning the new floor.
- Permit foot traffic on the new floor after waiting the time referenced for the adhesive used.
- Keep furniture, fixtures and rolling traffic off the new floor for at least 48 hours with trowel applied adhesives.
- Always use plywood or other boards when moving heavy objects across the floor.
- Remove adhesive residue using a clean cloth dampened with mineral spirits. Follow label and MSDS instructions.

Preventative Floor Care

- Use Toli Rain Control/Dust Control carpet Tile or proper walk-off matting at all entries to trap soiling and contamination before reaching the floor. Mats should be appropriate for soil load and weather conditions and have a non-staining backing.
- Use appropriate and proper floor protectors under all chairs and furniture. Floor glides should have a smooth flat base at least **1 inch in diameter**. Castors should have large diameter wheels with a **smooth flat tread** surface. **Do not use castors that are narrow, have a curved tread or that have a ridge protruding at the center seam.**
- When machine cleaning, always wet the pad before use on the floor. **Never use a black or a build-up removal pad.**

Initial Cleaning (After 72 hours)

- Sweep, dust mop or vacuum the floor to remove all loose dirt and grit. Do not use treated dust mops.
- Apply properly diluted **Neutral Cleaner according to manufactures instructions**. Mix stronger solution for heavy soiled floors. Lightly apply solution and machine scrub with a 3M 5100 **Red pad** (or equal). Do not over apply solution or allow it to stand or dry on floor. Remove solution, rinse thoroughly with clean water and allow to dry.

Using Cleaner Maintainer

Cleaner Maintainers are available in multiple gloss levels. They combine high-solids floor finish with a neutral pH cleaner in one product and reduce overall maintenance costs for your floor. We recommend a low gloss, comparable to the original gloss level of the AdVantage flooring.

Below are general instructions for Cleaner Maintainers. Be sure to follow the specific directions of the selected manufacturer.

For heavy traffic, high abrasion areas, begin here:

For areas exposed to extreme traffic and/or high abrasive use areas, we recommend that 1-2 coats of non-diluted cleaner maintainer be applied as follows:

Application

- Sweep, dust mop or vacuum the floor to remove all loose dirt and grit. Do not use treated dust mops.
- Ensure floor is completely clean. Repeat initial cleaning, wet scrubbing if necessary. Do not strip the floor.
- Shake the Cleaner Maintainer for 30 seconds and let stand for 5 minutes. Do not apply until the floor is completely dry.
- Once the surface is clean, apply 1-2 thin even coats of Cleaner Maintainer with a clean finish mop or microfiber applicator. Allow each coat to air dry (usually 30-60 minutes). **Do not use fans.** Allow to dry overnight before heavy traffic.

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For general commercial use, begin here:

Routine Maintenance (Daily or as needed)

- Sweep, dust mop or vacuum the floor to remove all loose dirt and grit. Do not use treated dust mops.
- Apply Cleaner Maintainer at **proper dilution** (usually 1-2 oz./per gal.) with mop or auto scrubber using a 3M 5100 **Red pad** (or equal).
- To maintain optimal appearance, regular machine cleaning is recommended.

The following chart highlights the differences between standard VCT, TOLI HVT and TOLI HVT AdVantage.

	Heavy Traffic / High Abrasion / High Abuse			High Foot Traffic			Moderate Foot Traffic		
Description	Heaviest commercial traffic, including moving furniture, rolling loads and tracked in grit.			Heaviest commercial traffic with little or no grit, infrequent rolling loads, and minimal sliding furniture			Less commercial traffic		
Example	Elevators, entrances, check out lanes, classrooms, airports.			Cafeterias, hallways, emergency room, supermarket.			Library, patient room, boutique retail.		
Product Type	VCT	HVT	HVT-AV	VCT	HVT	HVT-AV	VCT	HVT	HVT-AV
Initial Stripping	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No
Initial Sealer	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No
Initial Coats (polish or cleaner maintainer)	3-5	2-3	1-2	3-5	2-3	No	3-5	2-3	No
Routine Cleaning	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Delays applicatoion of topical treatment	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes
Eliminates / Reduces Stripping	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes

Periodic Maintenance Options

- To remove scuffs, buff the clean floor with a 175-rpm machine using a 3M 5100 Red pad (or equal). If desired results are not achieved, apply additional coat of Cleaner Maintainer to the clean floor with finish mop or microfiber applicator.
- To remove stubborn black marks, machine scrub the floor with diluted cleaner/maintainer in warm water. Use a 3M 5300 Blue pad (or equal). Rinse thoroughly with clean water and allow to dry.
- To restore alcohol-based hand sanitizer spots and dull or worn finish, apply additional coat of Cleaner Maintainer in the affected areas with finish mop or microfiber applicator. Follow Label instructions.
- Stripping Procedure (if desired): When deciding to remove the Cleaner Maintainer, apply properly diluted stripper (usually 1:5 -2.0 oz./gal.) in cool water and scribe accordingly. Do not let solution dry on floor. Remove solution, rinse thoroughly with clean water and allow to dry. If heavy commercial, high abrasion area, reapply 1-2 coats of undiluted cleaner maintainer.

Recommended Maintenance Products

For a list of recommended maintenance products, please refer to TOLI Maintenance Product Guide.