

TARABUS

FLOORING FOR BUS & COACH INTERIORS



CLEANING GUIDE

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TARABUS floor coverings are specifically designed to meet the requirements of the bus & coach bus industry providing durability, slip resistance, ease of cleaning and resistance to aggressive agents.

As with all heavy duty floorings, they require an appropriate and regular maintenance.

The following specific cleaning procedure is essential to ensure the optimum in service and aesthetic performance of the floor covering.



REGULAR CLEANING WITH A NEUTRAL DETERGENT

1. Equipment:



Sweeping brush
or industrial
vacuum cleaner



Neutral detergent
(pH 7.5)
+ water



Mop



Squeegee

2. Procedure:

- Remove loose dirt, and debris using a vacuum and/or a sweeping brush.
- Dilute neutral detergent with warm water in a bucket. Detergent's dilution should be done according to manufacturer's instructions.
- Apply the solution to the floor using a mop.
- Leave for 5 minutes to allow the solution to begin working.
- For stubborn marks use a scrubbing brush to agitate the area.
- Use a squeegee to remove excess solution from the vehicle floor.
- Thoroughly rinse with a mop and clean water.

3. Frequency:

- Daily or several times a week depending on seasonal soiling and traffic.

INTENSIVE CLEANING WITH AN ALKALINE DETERGENT

1. Equipment:



Sweeping brush
or industrial
vacuum cleaner



Alkaline detergent
(pH 11-13)
+ water



Mop



Scrubbing
brush



Squeegee

2. Procedure:

- Remove loose dirt, and debris using a vacuum and/or a sweeping brush.
- Dilute alkaline detergent with warm water in a bucket. Detergent's dilution should be done according to manufacturer's instructions.
- Apply the solution to the floor using a mop.
- Leave for 5 minutes to allow the solution to begin working.
- For stubborn marks use a scrubbing brush to agitate the area.
- Use a squeegee to remove excess solution from the vehicle floor.
- Thoroughly rinse with a mop and clean water.

3. Frequency:

- A minimum of once a month or more frequently depending on seasonal soiling and traffic.

DONOT!

1. Use **solvents**.
2. Use **industrial stain removers without first testing** them on a small hidden area.
3. Leave **detergent residue** on the floor.
4. Apply a **surface treatment**. Wax or surface treatments are not suitable for bus floor coverings as their application will be detrimental to anti-slip properties.
5. Place a **rubber backed carpet** on the flooring.
6. Place **spare rubber tires** directly on the floor covering.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. **TARABUS** products are resistant to diluted acids and bases, with the obvious exception of solvents.
2. To spot clean, only use denatured alcohol or White Spirit.
3. Thoroughly rinse the floor with clean water. Cleaning agent residues may affect the slip resistance properties of the floor if left to accumulate.

SPECIFIC POINTS

1. **Chewing gum** can only be mechanically scraped off after chilling with a compressed cold spray or specific orange oil gum remover.
2. Glue can generally be removed with Mineral Spirit. Clean the area with a diluted detergent and rinse with clean water.
3. Oil/grease spots, as well as food stains such as ketchup or fizzy drinks can be removed with an alkaline detergent.



TARABUS is the easiest resilient floor to clean on the market !



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