EMULSION FLOOR POLISH

Troubleshooting guide

Vinyl, thermoplastic, rubber, sealed wood, marble, terrazzo, asphalt

SYMPTOM	PROBABLE CAUSE	REMEDY
Poor finish. Gloss streaking.	 Poor preparation. Use of dirty mops/applicators. Polish applied too thick or too thin. Polish applied too thick. 2nd coat applied before 1st coat dry. Insufficient number of coats applied. Alkali or contaminant on floor. 	 May be necessary to re-strip polish and apply fresh coat of polish. Ensure equipment is clean and mop/applicator is only used for applying polish. Ensure polish has not been diluted. Re-treat or spray burnishing the floor may help. Re-treat or spray burnishing the floor may help. Apply further coats as necessary especially on old or porous floors. May be necessary to strip and re-apply.
Slippery floor.	Oil, water, food etc. on floor. Incorrect polish being used, i.e. solvent wax or wax being walked onto the floor. Silicone furniture polish accidentally sprayed on the floor. Polish applied too thick or too many coats. Excess dust on floor.	 Remove by mopping or spray cleaning. Strip-off wax polish. Remove by mopping or spray cleaning. Spray burnishing may help. Mop, sweep, place dust mats at entrance.
Powdering.	 Poor preparation. Floor not neutralised. Humid or cold condition. Cold polish applied. Too many coats or polish too thick. Floor damp when polish applied. Strong alkali cleaner used to mop floor. 	 Strip polish and re-apply. Strip polish and re-apply. Apply polish in 'normal' room temperature conditions. Apply polish when it has been left in room temperature conditions. Spray burnishing may help. Strip polish and re-apply. Use neutral products wherever possible.
Slow drying.	Adverse weather conditions. Applied too thick. Damp floor, contaminated.	Apply polish in 'normal' room temperature conditions. The solvent is not being allowed to evaporate. Ensure adequate ventilation. May be necessary to strip and re-apply.
Poor durability.	Insufficient coats on old or porous floor. Incorrect maintaining product being used. Excessive dust on floor. Incorrect floor pad being used.	A water based seal may be necessary, such as SEALANT B. Use a neutral product whenever possible. Use mats at entrance to reduce dust. Use the softest pad available to achieve the desired result.
Machine bloom.	 Too much polish on floor. Incorrect pad or brush. Dirty pad or brush. Incorrect solution in spray bottle. Over use of floor maintainer. 	 Spray clean using a mild alkali cleaner and red floor pad to cut back excess polish. Check that pad or brush being used is correct type. Always use clean equipment. Use neutral floor maintainer, check dilution rate. Only spray a fine mist onto the immediate floor area you are working.









FLOOR SEAL

Troubleshooting guide



wood, cork, concrete

SYMPTOM	PROBABLE CAUSE	REMEDY
Poor finish/gloss.	 Poor preparation. Dust settling on seal. Seal applied too thick. 2nd coat applied before 1st coat dry. 	Floor should be clean, dry and free from solvent wax. Lightly sand and apply further coat. Lightly sand and apply further coat. The applicator will drag, probably a light sand and a further coat required.
Slow drying.	 Seal applied too thick. Extreme temperature. Poor ventilation, humidity. 2nd coat applied before 1st coat dry. 	Solvent not allowed to evaporate. Ensure sufficient ventilation. Adjust conditions if possible. Heat or ventilate room. Adjust conditions, as above. Always allow sufficient time in-between coats.
Poor adhesion/ peeling.	 Poor preparation. Seal not compatible. Seal not keyed with old seal. Contaminant on the floor. 	1 Floor should be clean, dry and free from solvent wax. 2 Sand old seal and test a small area for compatibility if in doubt. 3 Lightly sand or dry burnish with green pad. 4 May need re-sanding. If seal not adhered to floor, check the side on the tin. If it has adhered to the tin it should have adhered to the floor.
Poor durability.	Seal applied too thin. Insufficient quality of seal for amounts of traffic. Seal thinned before use. Sand, grit.	A further coat will be required, especially on old floors. A further coat will be required. We would prefer the seal to be used undiluted. Dust mats may be required at entrances.

FLOOR POLISH STRIPPER

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