



HOMOGENEOUS TILE AND SHEET

iQ™ Maintenance Instructions

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iQ Granit™, iQ Natural, and iQ Optima®

Introduction

Johnsonite's iQ flooring solutions are produced with high quality raw materials, unique manufacturing processes, and innovative surface treatments. This innovative technology produces a glass hard surface that requires only dry buffing to restore the original appearance and requires no polish and no finish for life.

The following guidelines are recommended for the proper care and maintenance of the floor.

Post Installation / Initial Cleaning

Job site conditions will cause grit and dirt to accumulate. Initial cleaning must not be performed until 72 hours after installation. However, it is necessary the floor be swept and protected until maintenance begins.

1. Thoroughly sweep or vacuum the flooring to remove all loose dirt and grit.
2. Prepare a cleaning solution using one of the recommended pH neutral cleaners identified on the reference chart below.
3. The dilution ratio depends on light to heavy soil conditions. Follow the manufactures label instructions.
4. Apply the cleaning solution with a nylon or rayon mop.
5. Let the cleaning solution dwell for 5 to 15 minutes (dwell time is based on soil conditions of the floor). **IMPORTANT** – Do not allow the solution to dry.
6. Scrub the flooring using a single disc rotary machine (175 – 350 RPM) equipped with a red pad.
7. Remove the cleaning solution using a wet vacuum or a mop.
8. Rinse the floor thoroughly with clean water.
9. Allow the flooring to dry completely.

NOTE: The cleaning process may need to be repeated on heavily soiled floors.

Preventive Care

1. An effective barrier matting system should be installed at all entrances to reduce cleaning costs and extend the life of the floor.
2. Protect the flooring from damage by using good quality protective feet and casters for chairs, tables, and other furniture using products designed for resilient floors. Caster or wheel damage can be avoided with the use of chair pads.
3. Do not use steel wool, strong solvents (Lestoil, Top Job, etc. and similar products), gasoline, turpentine, and acetone.
4. Sweeping compounds or mops treated with petroleum solvents, silicone compounds or loose abrasives can damage the flooring.
5. Coatings such as shellac, lacquer, varnish, and paste wax or those containing aromatic solvents are not recommended.
6. Some disinfectants and insecticide sprays contain oil or solvents which may settle on the floor in sufficient quantity to discolor, cause slipperiness, and harm the floor covering.

Routine / Daily Cleaning

It is very important to clean the flooring at a frequency consistent with the amount and type of traffic and soil conditions. Daily cleaning is recommended.

1. Thoroughly sweep or vacuum the flooring to remove all loose dirt and grit.
2. Prepare a cleaning solution using one of the recommended pH neutral cleaners identified on the reference chart below.
3. The dilution ratio depends on light to heavy soil conditions. Follow the manufactures label instructions.
4. Damp mop the cleaning solution onto the floor with a nylon or rayon mop. In place of damp mopping, when the space or area will allow, utilizing an auto scrubber equipped with a red pad will ease and expedite the daily routine. Check the manufacturers label instructions for proper use.
5. Allow the flooring to dry completely.
6. Remove minor stains and scuffs in conjunction with the damp mopping. Use a white or red pad if required.

Periodic / Deep Cleaning

When Routine / Daily Cleaning no longer provides adequate results, a more aggressive deep cleaning is required to thoroughly clean the floor.

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4. Apply the cleaning solution with a nylon or rayon mop.
5. Let the cleaning solution dwell for 5 to 15 minutes (dwell time is based on soil conditions of the floor). **IMPORTANT** – Do not allow the solution to dry.
6. Scrub the flooring using a single disc rotary machine (175 – 350 RPM) equipped with a red pad.
7. Remove the cleaning solution using a wet vacuum or a mop.
8. Rinse the floor thoroughly with clean water.
9. Allow the flooring to dry completely.

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Dry Buffing: For customers who prefer to dry buff the flooring.

1. Thoroughly clean the floor prior to beginning the buffing procedure.
2. Buff the floor using a single disc, high speed, rotary machine (maximum 1500 RPM) equipped with a white pad.
3. Frequency of buffing will be determined by the amount and type of traffic.

NOTE: To avoid damage, care must be taken when dry buffing.

Flooring may be maintained by following a conventional floor finish maintenance system if desired. Conventional floor finish maintenance systems require periodic stripping of the floor finish. The use of floor finish and stripper to maintain Johnsonite iQ Vinyl Tile and Sheet flooring is optional and is not required.

Maintenance Product Reference Chart

NOTE: Always follow the manufactures label for proper mixing ratios and use

	Initial Cleaning	Daily Cleaning	Deep Cleaning
Buckeye www.buckeyeinternational.com 1-800-321-2583	Buckeye Blue	Buckeye Blue	Buckeye Blue
	Straight Up	Straight Up	Straight Up
Certified Green Products	Tenacity	True 7	Tenacity
Diversey www.diversey.com 1-800-558-2332	Profi	Profi	Profi
	Prominence	Prominence	Prominence
Certified Green Products	Stride	Stride	Stride
Spartan Chemical www.spartanchemical.com 1-800-537-8990	TriBase	TriBase	TriBase
	Green Solutions Industrial Cleaner	Green Solutions All Purpose Cleaner	Green Solutions Industrial Cleaner
Certified Green Products			
XL North www.xlnorth.com 1-888-530-2259	XL APC All Purpose Cleaner	XL APC All Purpose Cleaner	XL APC All Purpose Cleaner

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