

Care & Maintenance

ELASTAFLAKE

Dex-O-Tex Elastaflake is pigmented urethane/polymeric deck covering incorporating decorative color flakes, finished with clear resin Grout/Sealer coats. This material is manufactured to meet the requirements of MIL-PRF-24613 (SH) Type II, Class 2.

Cleaning

Sweep or mop as necessary to remove all loose dirt, litter or foreign matter. Mop with a clean mop using a neutral liquid detergent solution in strength and of type as recommended by detergent manufacturer. Scrub any difficult to remove grease or solid spots with a brush and detergent cleaner. If possible, allow detergent cleaner solution to remain on deck for 15-10 minutes before mopping or brushing, as this will permit soil to become emulsified and easier to removed.

Use only clean mops and change cleaning solution frequently. The use of dirty mops and dirty cleaning solutions are the biggest single cause of cleaning problems.

Maintenance

Periodically, as necessary, scrub deck with floor maintenance machine or scrubber-vac. Machine should mount a soft brush or scrubbing pad. Use neutral liquid detergent solution in strength as recommended by detergent manufacturer (for resilient tile maintenance). When cleaning solution becomes dirty, discard it and mix a fresh solution. Hard to remove dirt, black heel marks, etc. should be rubbed gently with scrubbing pad wet with detergent solution. Scrub all bases and other difficult to clean areas with a hand brush. Deck areas subject scratching by trackage of grit carried in from outside areas should be swept frequently.

Promptly clean up all spilled liquids including oil, grease, etc. Promptly neutralize all acid or strong alkaline liquid spills as these may stain or physically damage decking under prolonged contact.

Common Problems to Avoid

Avoid hitting deck with heavy objects or containers with sharp edges. Mount garbage cans on rolling racks to prevent dropping or scrapping on deck.

For a medium gloss maintenance finish, if desired, apply clear, water-based copolymer floor finish. We recommend Dex-O-Tex No. 16 Clear Finish *.

In the event of physical damage or after a prolonged period of use, it may be necessary to refinish the deck.

Refinishing may consist of:

a. <u>Stripping several coats of No. 16 Clear Finish</u> from the surface.

Stripping No. 16* Clear Finish is usually accomplished by washing the surface with a household ammonia solution (1/2 percent solution), agitating the solution on the deck with a deck brush or stripping pad mounted on a floor maintenance machine. Pick up dirty solution then rinse with water. When surface is thoroughly clean and dry, re-apply Clear Finish No. 16 in thin coats using a clean sponge or string mop, rung almost dry. Two (2) thin coats are usually sufficient but a third coat may be required in heavy traffic areas. Allow approximately 20-30 minutes drying time between coats. More time may be required for drying during periods of highly humidity.

b. Refinishing the Colorflake M grout and/or sealer coats.

Refinishing the Elastaflake Sealer requires removal of the maintenance finish as in a) above, light sanding of the surface with #60 grit sanding disc, clean-up of sanding residue and applying an additional coat (or coats) of T/M Clearseal. The surface must be thoroughly clean and dry before application of T/M Clearseal.



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c. Patching the Colorflake M pigmented matrix epoxy

If it becomes necessary to patch damaged Elastaflake Colorcoat the damaged area should be thoroughly sanded and replaced with new material. The "new" Elastaflake Colorcoat material should be installed following the procedures described in Crossfield Products Corp. Application Specification S-705M (Marine) . The "new" Elastaflake Colorcoat should be applied to cover sanded area to neatly taped edges which "lap" over edges at surrounding Elastaflake Colorcoat decking. The T/M Clearseal should be applied following the Application Specification mentioned above.

No. 16 Clear Finish:

NSN 8030-00-007-8333 1 Gal. Vender #1440 NSN 8030-00-007-8334 5 Gal. Vender #1439





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