

Did You Know That?

- A floor machine, normally referred to as a buffer, has many uses in floor maintenance. It can be a scrubber, stripper, carpet shampooer, bonnet carpet cleaner or a polisher. Different brushes or a pad holder is needed for each operation, but never the less, a very handy cleaning tool.
- Carpet has fabric protector on it from the factory, but continuous cleaning removes the protection. After cleaning, be sure to spray protector on the carpet to protect it from permanent spotting. This will allow for easier cleaning next time.
- A neutral pH7 cleaner should be used when mopping any floor that has wax. If any other cleaner is used, it could cause stripping and when buffed, wax will come off in the form of a white powder.
- If you suspect a fire in a room, never grab the door knob. Lightly feel door with the back of your hand, as not to cause severe burns to the palm of the hand. If you determine a fire is present, follow safety rules before opening the door for your own protection.
- When using a buffer with a brush to either shampoo, buff or strip floors, brush should be taken off buffer, weight of buffer will make brush tug top side and cause unit to vibrate next use.
- The most common cause for a vacuum not to pick up as it should is a worn or broken belt.
- When using an extractor to clean carpet, use a separate bucket for filling drain waste as grit will get into pump and cause it not to operate properly.
- You can use your extractor to remove water from a flooded area. Restrain from turning on the pump and use a defoamer in the recovery tank. Most all floors will have some type of detergent present, this is where you obtain soapy water while removing the excess water. Defoamer used in any water recovery unit kills the suds that may accumulate, otherwise suds will float in the air current and end up in the motor causing major damage.
- A 220-volt and above breaker box should be checked at least once a year for a balanced load. This will save box burn out and low circuit or voltage to one leg or the other from box. When installing new breakers for new circuits, you should read amp draw once again to determine where to put your load.
- Brown spots are caused in carpets by using too much cleaning chemical or inadequate removal of the cleaning chemical. This is really pH factor problem, but can be corrected by using a product called Brown Out. Most chemical companies have such a product.
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