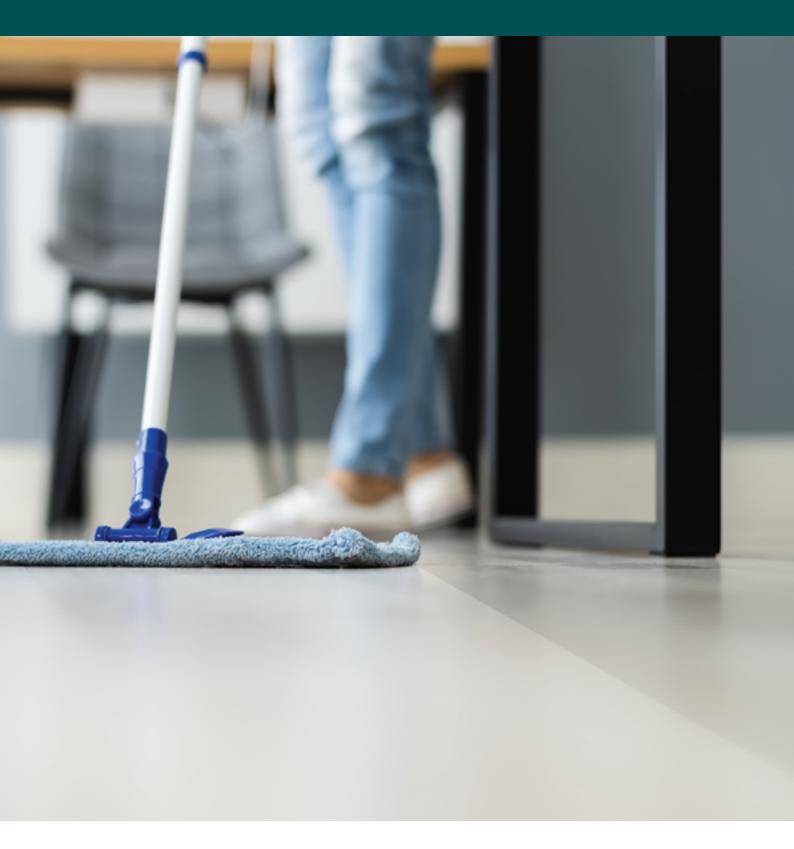
# Cleaning & Care Guide





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## **Congratulations!**

Your new epoxy surface for your home is hard-wearing, easy to clean and typically does not require any ongoing maintenance. However, In order to keep your surface looking new, you should follow a regular or incidental cleaning regime. This will reduce ongoing wear and tear on your surface.

#### **Post-Installation Care**

While your epoxy system is extremely durable it must be allowed to cure fully prior to being walked or driven on in order to prevent damage. Your surface curing time will depend on the chosen system and you should consult directly with your applicator for this information.

#### **Routine Care Guide**

The extent and frequency of all routine maintenance will depend on many factors, including the type and amount of activity being performed. Routine maintenance can include sweeping, mopping or hosing the surface depending on its location and accessibility.

#### Sweeping

Sweeping your surface clean is an integral part of routine maintenance. Surface dirt and loose debris are unsightly and extremely abrasive. It should be removed effectively and regularly using:

- Brooms, brushes and vacuums for smaller areas.
- Microfibre mops for dust on smooth finishes.

Care should be taken when using stiff bristle brooms or brushes on high-gloss surfaces.

#### Cleaning

Cleaning your surface is important to maintain its visual appeal and remove surface contaminants that can be very abrasive. Cleaning can be completed by using a microfibre mop, floor mop or hose and brush/broom.

A pH neutral cleaner or APC 600C Clean should be utilised in combination with water and the above agitation methods. Ensure you follow all listed directions on your chosen cleaning product. For textured surfaces, a stiff broom may be used.

DO NOT USE ABRASIVE OR CORROSIVE CLEANERS AS THEY CAN CAUSE DISCOLOURATION OR DAMAGE TO YOUR SURFACE. ON HIGH GLOSS SURFACES, TRY TO AVOID USING HARD-BRISTLED BROOMS AND BRUSHES AS THESE MAY SCRATCH THE SURFACE OF THE COATING.

### Stains & Spills

While your epoxy surface is resistant to staining and discolouration, all spills and other chemical contaminants should be cleaned from the surface as soon as reasonably possible. This will reduce the possibility of staining, as prolonged or extended exposure to some chemicals may result in staining of your surface, especially those that are acidic or corrosive. Staining is only aesthetic and does not affect the mechanical properties of the surface.

#### Surface Scratching and Polishing

Scratches or scuffs on your surface may appear as part of general wear and tear. You can minimise the appearance of these and help reduce further scratching by utilising a floor polish. After cleaning your surface, you may utilise a floor polish such as APC 600S Shine or similar. It is advised to apply one or more coats to further protect against scratching.

#### High Gloss Surface Advisories

High Gloss surfaces such as Metallic Marble, Plain Epoxy or Diamond Finish Ultra Flake or Hyper Flake are especially susceptible to scuffing and scratching due to their gloss appearance and the abrasiveness of floor grit and dirt. It is recommended that APC 600C Clean and APC 600S Shine are utilised regularly in order to maintain the floor in its original high-end and high-gloss appearance.

It is not recommended to move heavy furniture without mechanical assistance and rubber or felt furniture feet should be used on all furniture where it intends to be moveable, such as dining room chairs and stools.

Following these simple advisories will help make sure your surface stays looking new for many years to come.

#### **Recommended Products**

APC 600C CLEAN APC 600S SHINE



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