



Light Maintenance Cleaning Guide

A good routine light maintenance program will enhance the longevity and appearance of your duraSAFE® surface. Perform these tasks regularly to maintain the appearance of your site.

Sweeping

Sweeping the surface with a stiff bristle broom will be the most common method of keeping the duraSAFE surface clean. However, because of the porosity and granular texture of the surface it is difficult to remove all contaminants by sweeping alone.

Vacuum

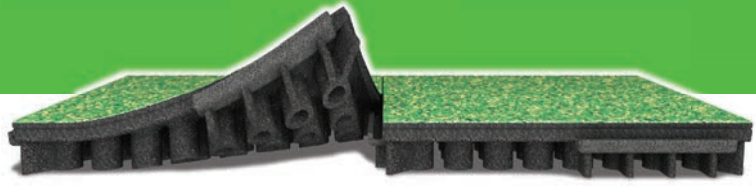
Periodic vacuuming is recommended in areas where sand can build up or is frequently tracked onto the surface.

Water Hose

Use a water hose with a pressure spray tip to remove contaminants from porous top surface. This is easier than using a broom; however, interior installations may place restrictions on water usage.

Cleaning Agents

duraSAFE can accommodate moderate use of most household or commercial cleaners that contain both odor suppressants and disinfectants. Dilute this cleaning agent as recommended by the manufacturer. Apply to the surface using a mop or scrubbing device. This will remove most light stains.



Regularly Monitor Your Site's Conditions

Advanced Maintenance

Depending on location and frequency of use, duraSAFE tiles may occasionally require a “deep clean” to remove residual buildup of dirt and stains.

Your site will experience surface color degradation over time if:

- 1) Airborne particulate matter settles onto the surface of the tiles. This can occur as a result of being located in heavy industrial areas or near power plants and smelters. Other sources can include residential fireplaces and wood stoves, agricultural burning, forest fires and volcanic eruptions.
- 2) Your site is under a heavy canopy of trees that shed sap, oils or debris.
- 3) Your site is near an asphalt parking lot. With heavy foot-traffic, black tar rub-off from asphalt surfaces will transfer onto the surface of your tiles causing discoloration.
- 4) After extended periods of time (similar to concrete) tile color may dull with regular pedestrian traffic or organic material rub-off from shoes.
- 5) For tiles that are black in color, oxidization of the surface will occur (similar to a passenger car tire) and will cause some carbon black rub-off to occur.
- 6) **Original color choice will largely determine the level of discoloration.** For example, carbon black rub-off will occur on black tiles over time. A light beige tile will not give off carbon black; however, it is more susceptible to dirt and discoloration.

DEEP CLEAN SOLUTION: Pressure washing the entire surface with a rotary cleaning head will remove any surface debris or black residue. We recommend a 36" **Whisper Wash Magnum Surface Cleaner** or a rotary cleaning head that is capable of **8 GPM/ 2,500 – 3,500 PSI at 250° F**. For detergent, we suggest an industrial strength degreaser. The 7300 Series from Dynecraft is an excellent choice – is eco-friendly and biodegradable. For more information on their products, please visit www.dynecraft.com. If desired after the surface has been cleaned, applying a clear, aliphatic polyurethane coating will visually enhance the appearance of our Premium Series EPDM tiles. For Plus Series, or solid, pigmented tiles, this product is tintable and available in a wide range of colors. **View video here:** https://youtu.be/cBTq98J63_g

NOTE: Aliphatic coating can be purchased from sofSURFACES at approximately \$4.00/sq. ft. USD.

CAUTION: *High concentrations of chlorine or ammonia will damage the surface of the tile and compromise the integrity of the adhesive.*

For more info, please contact a member of the sofSURFACES sales team: info@sofsurfaces.com.