



GC/Superintendent Instructions for Concrete Floors

General Instructions:

1. Do not drag heavy objects across the floor. This can leave gouges in the concrete surface.
2. Do not allow food, drinks, or tobacco products on floor.
3. Clean up all spills immediately. Do not use solvents to clean spills.
4. Floors should only be cleaned with properly diluted neutral floor cleaners. Do not use acidic cleaners. When in doubt use only water to mop the floor.
5. When using a buffer or auto scrubber, only use a very soft bristle brush, white pad or beige pad. All other color pads will result in a decrease of gloss.
6. **DO NOT PUT TAPE DIRECTLY ON THE FLOOR!** Blue painter's tape may be used to cut in around base trim and columns. It needs to be removed within 2-3 hours.
7. Keep floor swept and clean to avoid degradation of the gloss (dirt can act like sandpaper).

If the slab has been diamond polished:

1. Do not allow moisture to touch the finished floor for 72 hours. The floor has been sealed with a stain protectant that will turn white if it gets wet before it has cured.
2. Diaper lifts if possible. Lifts can leak hydraulic oil and battery acid. Both can leave permanent damage on polished concrete floors.
3. Razor scrapers may be used carefully to remove drywall mud, paint drops, etc.

If the slab has been overlaid:

1. All overhead lift work should be completed before we arrive. If lifts are to be driven on a floor that has been overlaid, you must drive on cardboard. Screws and nails in lift tires can gouge a new overlay.
2. Care must be taken when rolling dollies, fixtures, lifts, or other objects across unfinished Schluter or zinc strip transitions. These transitions can crack or chip until the finished floor (tile or wood) is installed at the transition.