PIG Alleviate Anti-Fatigue Mats

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Cleaning Guidelines

PIG Alleviate Anti-Fatigue Mats are constructed of durable SBR or EPDM rubber that can be easily cleaned with readily available cleaners and techniques. The following recommendations are provided to prolong the life of your product:

1. Remove loose debris from the surface. Vacuum with air suction (non-mechanical) OR sweep with a stiff broom. Clean up food/drink spills right away. Fruit juice, vinegar, alcoholic drinks or other similar drinks / foods may discolor blue mats if they are allowed to sit on the mat surface.

2. Use a light cleaning dilution of Simple Green® or comparable cleaner. Spray apply the solution onto the surface and wipe off OR apply with dampened cloth, sponge, or mop. To reduce film buildup, change your cleaning solution frequently. It is not necessary to clean rinse the surface. Envirox H2Orange2Concentrate 117 is also an acceptable degreaser & sanitizer.

3. For disinfectant cleaning use OXIVIR from Diversey or TASKI NDC to provide one-step, no-rinse cleaning for non-poly coated surfaces. These cleaners are EPA registered hospital grade disinfectants that protect against bacteria/virus/fungus/mildew. It is OK to use a dilute bleach (Sodium Hypochlorite) solution or an alcohol-based solution for all surfaces. Autoclaving is also OK for EPDM formulations, provided it is limited to 2 hours or less and no more than 275° F. SBR formulations should not be exposed to temperatures greater that 200° F.

DO NOT USE HYDROCARBON SOLVENTS SUCH AS PAINT THINNER, OIL-BASED CLEANING SOLUTIONS SUCH AS MURPHY's OIL SOAP or PINESOL, PASTE WAX, or VINYL CLEANERS SUCH AS ARMORALL. When using any cleaners, follow dilution instructions carefully.

Product Orientation/Cautionary Information

1. Do not unbox or unpackage all the material until you have located the assembly instructions. These instructions will help you efficiently assemble the matting material with the least amount of confusion.
2. Once you have laid out the matting ensure that the material has been adequately designed for your work space to reduce trip hazards. Ramps and beveled edges diminish but do not eliminate trip hazards. If you see that the use of the matting will increase the risk of a slip, trip or fall more than you want, then immediately repackage the material before using it and address the concern.
3. PIG Alleviate Anti-Fatigue Mats are designed to be used on a smooth even floor surface. You may not get the full anti-fatigue benefit or may create a trip hazard if it is used over an uneven subsurface.
4. Floor matting can create a trip hazard. It is your responsibility to ensure that the surfaces and areas where the matting will be used are considered safe.
5. You are responsible for ensuring the compatibility of the PIG Alleviate Anti-Fatigue Mat material with your environment. Read carefully the chemical compatibility chart and make sure you are putting the mats in an environment that is compatible with the material.
6. PIG Alleviate Anti-Fatigue Mats are formulated with non-staining oils, however, some floor surfaces or cleaning agents/regiments may cause plastisizer migration between the floor and the mat, creating a "ghosted" image on the floor surface. This is less likely to happen with carpet, wood and cement surfaces. In addition, the mat may provide UV protection to the floor beneath it and UV fading may be noticed on the surrounding uncovered floor surface, leaving a "ghosted" image under the mat. These environmental conditions are beyond the control of New Pig. Floor surfaces should be inspected occasionally after initial implementation to ensure that incompatibilities are not developing.
7. Do not use the PIG Alleviate Anti-Fatigue Mats on a wet or slippery floor surface. Even if the fluid is considered compatible with the mat material, the matting could "hydroplane" and lead to a slip or fall.
8. PIG Alleviate Anti-Fatigue Mats may become slippery if sufficient water or fluid is on the surface. Do not use the matting in such an environment unless adequate slip resistance has been provided on the shoes of workers or on the mat surface.
9. Do not use pointed heel shoes or heeled shoes with sharp edges on the mat surface. This could lead to turned ankles as well as damage to the matting.
10. Do not use furniture or fixtures with sharp edges. The weight of these objects can cut into the matting. A chair mat is recommended when using stationary or wheeled chairs on the mat surface.
11. PIG Alleviate Anti-Fatigue Mats are not designed to support heavy rolling loads. Heavy rolling loads will bulldoze the material and may damage it or its coverings, creating excessive wear. If heavy objects need to be moved across the floor, lay down load dissipating sheets first, such as plywood or Masonite. Heavy rolling loads may also create an adhesion failure of flooring coverings installed over the matting surface.
12. You may initially smell an odor with new rubber matting. This is normal and is similar to the smell experienced with new auto tires. The odor is harmless and will eventually dissipate. Cleaning the surface more frequently initially with a mild detergent/degreaser such as Simple Green and ensuring good ventilation in the area where the mats are used will dissipate the odor faster.

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