

# DUSTBANE'S GROUT CLEANING PROGRAM



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- Grout cleaning is one of the more labour intensive and costly tasks you will perform in the performance of your duties. To avoid the cost of repeating this task, don't try to skip or skimp. Tackle an area that you are confident can be completed in the time allowed.
- Only grout that is free of old floor finish can be effectively restored, you may have to strip old floor finish or sealer from the area before proceeding to the grout cleaning procedure
- Assemble all of the appropriate tools
  - Rubber Gloves and footwear
  - Doodle bug holder and pads
  - Safety Glasses
  - Wet vacuum
  - Wet Floor Signs
  - Squeegee
  - Dust Mop
  - Wiping Cloths
  - Scraper
  - Stripper
  - 2 Mop Buckets
  - Grout Cleaner, Blu Lite Plus
  - 2 Clean Mops & Handles
  - 175 RPM Rotary Floor Machine
  - Grit scrub brush

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## Floor Preparation

- Post wet floor signs at all entrances to work area
- Remove all furnishings, mats and any free standing objects from work area
- Dust mop entire floor area and remove any gum, tape or glue
- Add proper amount of Dustbane Stripper to cold water (Be sure to follow mixing instructions on product label and use cold water)
- Apply stripping solution to a manageable area of floor. Allow 8 to 10 minutes dwell time making certain the floor stays completely wet.
- Scrub the entire floor with floor machine and grit brush. If there is a heavy build-up of floor finish, scrub in both directions ensuring the floor stays wet.
- Remove slurry from floor with wet vacuum. Be sure to get the edges and corners
- Rinse the stripped floor with clean water before proceeding to clean grout

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## Procedure

- Add 10 parts of water to each part of Dustbane Blu Lite Plus to cold water (Be sure to use cold water) 16 oz per gallon or 100 ml per liter
- Liberally apply Blu Lite Plus solution to a manageable area of floor. Allow 5 minutes dwell time making certain the floor stays completely wet.
- Scrub the entire floor with floor machine and grit brush. Be sure to scrub in both directions and ensure the floor stays wet.
- Pick up slurry with wet vacuum including edges and corners
- Rinse the treated floor with clean water until all the Blu Lite Plus has been removed. Do not use a neutralizer.
- Wipe all adjacent areas that may have been splashed during the stripping procedure
- Allow the floor to dry completely then check to ensure all floor finish and residue has been removed
- Clean and put away all of your equipment (remember to wipe down the cords)
- Keep all traffic off of the floor area until floor has been re-finished