

Maintenance of TORLYS Floors *Frequently Asked Questions*

Why do I have to apply a floor dressing on my TORLYS Uniclic Cork floors?

A. Floor dressing is first and foremost to add protection for the floor. It is also used to improve appearance “rejuvenate” the floor, give improved stain and water resistance, improve ease of cleaning and improve slip resistance.

What is TORLYS Uniclic® Floor Dressing made of?

A. Our floor dressing contains up to 25 different ingredients:

Water, which maintains the polymers in a water-based solution. There are Polymer particles whose function is creating a solid film. Wax Particles that add flexibility and anti-skid characteristics to the final film (that stays on the floor) Coalescents that evaporate and cause the formation and levelling of the solid film. There are Plasticizers, which add flexibility, formation of the film Surfactants that help with levelling and spreading. There are also Stabilizer Biocides that are preservatives.

What can you tell me about TORLYS Uniclic® Floor Cleaner?

A. It is a neutral cleaner with a ph of 7.5 to 8.5 with a citrus aroma. It is a ready to use laminate, hardwood, and cork floor cleaner. The cleaner facilitates the removal of the dirt from the floor to the mop without streaking. It breaks up fats, oils and other soils into small particles, which are then suspended in the solution till rinsed from the

mop. Suspension is the process of a cleaning agent holding insoluble dirt particles in the cleaning solution. There are detergents in TORLYS floor cleaner.

What is the difference between TORLYS Floor Dressing and TORLYS Topical Sealer?

A. First and foremost both give protection for the floor.

TORLYS Topical Sealer is applied as a permanent one-time installation. It will fill in small air pockets and provide a film that will cover the floor giving protection to the floor from surface moisture. It is not easily removed.

TORLYS dressing is not a permanent, nor a one-time installation. It is a floor finish that is formulated with a metal cross-link that allows the dressing to adhere to the floor giving a strong wear layer. It allows for more coats to be applied to the top of it and still be easily removed by a floor stripper. The stripper will dissolve the metal link and allow for easy removal of the dressing.

Why is it so important to really clean my floor before I apply a new coat of dressing?

A. The dressing will be the finished look for a long time. If the floor was not cleaned the dirt that was on the floor will be sealed in the floor till it is stripped maybe many years down the road. If there is a grease or oily spot on the floor the dressing will surround the dirt but not cover the oily spot causing the floor to look like it has fish eyes in the floor. This look may also appear if the dressing has sat undisturbed for some time and has not been properly agitated prior to being applied to the floor.

Is TORLYS Floor Dressing a “Soft” dressing or “Hard” dressing?

A. A soft dressing will show wear quickly, but is easy to repair by buffing and has a wet look. It is a common look in commercial applications like supermarkets and office buildings where they buff the floors nightly so the floors look shiny each morning. A hard dressing will not show wear quickly but is harder to repair by buffing. It is the choice for a low maintenance program. The look is not a high gloss and the floor is recoated when the floor loses some of its clean new look. TORLYS has a floor dressing that is a hard dressing.

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