



## A BASIC GUIDE ON HOW TO STRIP AND SEAL A FLOOR

### Introduction;

Please note that the following factors may affect the result:

- Ensure that the surface is suitable for the application of sealer prior to commencement.
- Weather conditions will effect drying time and adhesion as well as the difficulty in stripping.
- Previously laid sealer may require different stripping chemicals or methods.
- All liability to ensure a good result rests with the applicator or their employer.

### Stripping;

1. Erect safety signs (Wet Floor/Cleaning in Progress)
2. Use dust control mop to sweep floor area
3. Using a mop bucket and mop, mop floor with **MEDISTRIP**, **MASTERSTRIP** or **SUPERSTRIP**. Using polisher/auto scrubber with black stripping pad, remove the polish from floor.
4. For corner areas, and against walls, use a black hand pad with holder (doodlebug) to remove polish from these areas.
5. When finished, rinse floor twice with water and **SUPERCLEAN** or **NEUTROCLEAN** neutral detergent, ensure floor is not "sticky" after this process, if it is, rinse again. Ensure all polish is removed from floor before applying new sealer.
6. Ensure floor is dry and without any residue before continuing.

*Note: Guide only using Master Chemicals – no responsibility taken for incorrect application or adverse conditions*

## **Sealing:**

7. Ensure safety signs are still erected.
8. Apply (by polycotton mop/polish spreader) up to three (3) coats of **SUPERBASE/MASTERLOOK**, dry buff (when dry) after second and third coats with a white pad. Ensure each coat is dry before applying next coat and mop in different directions for each coat (ie: one coat east to west, second coat north to south). When mopping start at an edge and mop in a figure 8 pattern.
9. After step eight, apply (by polycotton mop/polish spreader) 2 - 3 coats of **MASTERLOOK** high gloss polish. Ensure each coat is dry before applying next coat and mop in different directions (as in step eight) for each coat, buff with white buffing pad the day after applying the sealer.

## **Maintenance:**

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| <u>Daily</u>    | - | Clean (mop) with <b>SUPERCLEAN</b> or <b>NEUTROCLEAN</b> neutral detergent.                              |
| <u>Periodic</u> | - | Maintain with <b>EASYCARE</b> by spraying onto floor and buffing with white or red pad to restore shine. |

## **Safety:**

***Ensure that safety goggles are worn while handling any chemicals and throughout the stripping process.***

***Ensure that gloves are worn while handling any chemicals.***

***Slippery floors are dangerous to work on, particularly when stripping. Ensure that safety footwear is always worn to avoid slips and falls.***

***Fumes from stripper and sealer can be harmful. Ensure that the stripping and sealing process is conducted in well ventilated areas only. Respirators may be required for confined areas.***