

Technical Advice

Care and Maintenance of Swiss GriP Non-Slip

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NON-SLIP COATINGS



Swiss GriP® coatings are the best choice to create long-lasting non-slip surfaces that comply to the Australian Standard for slip-resistance.

To ensure the life of your Swiss GriP Coating is maximised and to comply with Swiss GriP warranty requirements, a simple and regular maintenance program should be implemented.

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Recommended Care and Maintenance Schedule

After Swiss GriP is applied, you will notice the surface has a water repellent effect. This "lotus effect" refers to self-cleaning properties that are a result of hydrophobicity as exhibited by the leaves of Nelumbo, the lotus flower. So although Swiss GriP makes surfaces slip-resistant, it is easier to clean the surface when using the right cleaning program. As Swiss GriP has a sealing effect, it prevents dirt from going into the surface.

Simply follow 4 important steps:

1. Carefully remove any dirt, grease or other contamination with a soft brush, broom, micro fibre mop in combination with a suitable detergent. Cleaning machines can also be used with non-abrasive cleaning pads.
2. Use mild cleaning solutions e.g. pH-neutral floor detergent. Do not use harsh or aggressive substances like acid, solvents (e.g. methylated spirits, alcohol, acetone, etc.), chlorine (bleach), sodium, or detergents which are abrasive. Dilute concentrated detergents in accordance to the manufacturer's instructions. Dilute the detergent in warm water to remove dirt and grease. Avoid dwell timer longer than 10 minutes when using disinfectants or concentrates.
3. After mopping/cleaning, rinse with plenty of clean, cold water after cleaning.
4. Dry the surface after cleaning to avoid contaminated water from drying up on the surface. Dry the surface with a squeegee, dry microfibre mop, wet/dry vacuum cleaners or the drying function on cleaning machines.

Warranty

Swiss GriP's industry leading warranty is valid when the surface is regularly cleaned with Swiss GriP Intensive Cleaner or the Swiss GriP Cleaning Kit.

- Swiss GriP Intensive Cleaner, 5L Alkaline based concentrate
- Swiss GriP Cleaning Kit, Brush + 0.5L cleaning concentrate

In areas where pollutants and high greasing levels are prevalent, e.g. commercial kitchens or industrial areas, a daily cleaning program should be implemented. Care and maintenance schedules are essential to ensure that the life of your Swiss GriP surface is maximised.



The Do's & Don'ts of protecting your Swiss GriP coating

DO	DON'T
Regularly clean	Don't use solvents, spirits, alcohol, sodium or chlorine (bleach)
Regularly inspect	Don't rub Swiss GriP Coatings excessively
Clean in mild conditions	Don't use hard brushes, scrubbing pads, or other abrasive tools
Rinse with clear water and dry the surface after cleaning	Don't use "dirt-blaster" functions on pressure washers

Maintenance

As with any surface, a proper maintenance program is key to maximise the durability and slip-resistance of your Swiss GriP surface. For example, it is important to always rinse and dry the surface after cleaning (otherwise, the dirty water dries up and the dirt is left on the surface). Swiss GriP is an excellent non-slip solution for pool areas. However, because it is a water-based, non-dangerous product, it is not suitable to be used in pools or other submerged areas. Proper water drainage around pools is key to prevent damage to the substrate as well as the Swiss GriP coating. Therefore, water puddles known to not drain away have to be cleared after they form.

High pressure cleaning is possible when keeping a distance of at least 25cm from the surface. Pressure: max. 60 Barr. Do not use "dirt-blaster" functions on pressure washers. **Only use soft brushes** on floor cleaning machines. Do not use hard brushes, scrubbing pads and other abrasive pads.

Although Swiss GriP has a water-repellent effect, it **does not solve water-proofing issues**. The product warranty is void for areas with water proofing issues or areas where water comes through the surface from underneath. Swiss GriP is not responsible for identifying water-proofing issues. Swiss GriP does not solve efflorescence problems. Efflorescence should be removed prior to a Swiss GriP application and the underlying issue causing efflorescence should be solved prior to the installation. Because Swiss GriP is a clear coat, efflorescence will be visible when formed under the coating.

Swiss GriP's warranty shall be void and not apply if the product has been subjected to misuse or if the cleaning instructions have not been strictly followed.

Curing time: 12 hours.

Full chemical curing time: Chemical and mechanical cleaning possible after four days.

Advice Line

Our dedicated consultants can help simplify the specification process, saving you time and money by providing the right coating advice for your project. Call: (03) 7020 2041 or email info@swissgrip.com.au

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