



AACER
SPORTS FLOORING

Care & Maintenance

AcousticCover™

Important Considerations

- Identify and protect against sources of soiling.
- Develop a plan to react to spills immediately, before they dry. It is much easier to remove a wet spill as opposed to a dried, set-in spot.
- Vacuum high traffic areas daily and clean routinely after all high traffic periods.
- Train all employees in the proper and safe use of all equipment and supplies prior to beginning work. Do not use your facility for "on the job training."
- Have maintenance personnel cut off any high loops with scissors to ensure the vacuum does not lift carpet tiles.

Vacuumping

Use a dual motor or twin fan upright vacuum with a beater bar or double row of brushes with high suction. The bar or brush should be about 1/8" below the vacuum cleaner casing to ensure proper abrasive agitation.

Vacuum frequency will vary with use and traffic levels. A good general guideline to follow is to vacuum daily for high traffic areas, twice weekly for medium traffic areas, and once weekly for low traffic areas. You may adjust these frequencies based on appearance.

Spot Cleaning

Important Considerations

- **OVER-USE OF CHEMICALS WILL CAUSE THE CARPET TO RE-SOIL MORE QUICKLY. Use chemicals for spot cleaning only after you try to remove the spot with water.** Also, be sure to rinse the chemical completely from the carpet. Rinse the spot with water until no suds come back out of the carpet, then spray the area with DuraSafe 4007 Encapsulator.
- **DURASAFE 4007 ENCAPSULATOR SHOULD BE USED AFTER ALL SPOT CLEANING PROCEDURES.** DuraSafe 4007 is an encapsulator that will cling to any remaining soil in the carpet, break it up under traffic, and allow it to be vacuumed up during the next daily vacuuming.

- **WARNING! Do not use chlorinated cleaning solutions, quaternary solutions, petroleum distillates, solvent-based cleaners, or citrus cleaning solutions on any AcousticCover™ Product.**

Procedure

1. Blot or vacuum up any liquid or solid so that it will not soak in. Do not rub or push down on the spot. Always blot gently. Move in a circular motion from the outside of the spot toward the inside and with an upward motion. Keep blotting until you cease to get transfer.
2. Add water to the spot. (Hot spills should be removed with water the same temperature.) Do not soak the area. Add just enough to get a transfer of the spot. Repeat the process as long as you get a transfer of the spot.
3. Spray a small amount of **DuraSafe 4007** directly on the spot. Use care to wet the spot, but not saturate the carpet.
4. Gently massage the spotter into the soiled area in four directions using a spotting brush. Always work from the outer edge towards the center of the spot.
5. Allow the cleaner to dry, and then vacuum the area thoroughly after drying to remove crystals and any remaining encapsulated soil.
6. If DuraSafe 4007 does not work, apply **DuraSafe 2007** in the same manner.
7. After the spot is completely removed and all cleaner is rinsed from the carpet, spray a small amount of **DuraSafe 4007** to the affected area, brush the spotter in four directions, and allow to dry.

If the spot returns, either the cleaner was not fully rinsed from the carpet and it caused rapid resoiling, or the spot at the yarn base was bigger than the surface spot. Either condition can be corrected easily by thoroughly rinsing the area with warm water, then applying a thin spray of DuraSafe 4007 to the affected area.

Deep Cleaning

DuraSafe 4007 is an encapsulator that will cling to the dirt, break it up under traffic, and allow it to be vacuumed up during the next daily vacuuming. An “encapsulator” is a recent development in carpet chemistry that surrounds both the dirt and the carpet fiber, creating a smooth non-stick surface on the dirt and fiber to discourage a dirt-fiber bond.

DuraSafe 4007 is a multi-purpose chemical. It is used after spot cleaning to limit re-soiling. It is used as a bonnet cleaning pre-spray. And, finally, it can be applied to the entire carpeted surface weekly or monthly to promote easier soil removal and more effective vacuuming. If DuraSafe 4007 is sprayed onto the floor surface weekly to monthly (depending on traffic level), it will help to keep the carpet cleaner for a longer period of time.

AcoustiCover DuraSafe 4007 Encapsulator simplifies dirt removal. It also makes dirt and other carpet contaminants larger so a vacuum and vacuum filter will work better. It encases contaminants and whatever else is in the carpet such as dirt, mites and allergens, it will dry to a brittle polymer that breaks up and is easily vacuumed away.

- **NOTE:** The only encapsulator Aacer Flooring recommends is DuraSafe 4007. Other encapsulators that contain fluorochemicals are not recommended. Some of these chemical treatments, such as Scotchguard®, ResisTech™ and Teflon™ can leave a residue that actually detracts from the appearance and performance of Aacer Flooring Carpet, rather than enhancing it.

Frequencies

- Once per week in high traffic areas
- Once per month in medium and low traffic areas

Procedure

1. After the standard vacuuming procedure, spray a light mist of DuraSafe 4007 over the entire carpeted area. Do not saturate the carpet; only a light misting is required.
2. DuraSafe 4007 dries quickly, usually within one hour, but the carpet will be wet briefly. Plan this procedure for a time when traffic is at its slowest.
3. After a brief drying period, carpet is ready for normal use.

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****Do not leave AcousticCover on the floor for more than 10 consecutive days.****