

ROUTINE CLEANING AND VACUUMING

EQUIPMENT:

- Use high suction vacuum with a beater bar or brushes because the carpet is highly abrasion resistant, low settings are acceptable.
- Backpack vacuum is another option.
- Make sure that the equipment being used is in good working condition and is being used properly.

METHOD:

- A minimum of four (4) passes is necessary at slow speed to attain the best results.

FREQUENCY:

- Heavy traffic, vacuum daily
- Medium traffic, vacuum every other day
- Light traffic, vacuum once or twice a week

CARPET MONITORING

Do a walk-through inspection of all areas monthly. For optimum appearance and protection of your carpet, it may be necessary to adjust the frequency of vacuuming, spot cleaning and extraction.

SOIL AND STAINS

Consider soil types before cleaning. Is the soil wet or dry, sticky or loose impediments, stains or heavy soil?

- For wet soils, a self-contained extractor with a brush and vac system is recommended.
- For dry soils, a good two motor vacuum with the brush adjusted all the way down will give you the most agitation of the soil and best results. Backpack vacuums offer a higher CFM than some uprights, but more passes over the mat are needed to compensate for the lack of agitation.
- For dry crusty salt stains, it is recommended that the floor mat be soaked in hot water with a neutral soap solution for half an hour and extracted as per wet soils above.

CLEANING ALTERNATIVE

If a Prospec Mat is placed in an external application, use blower or sweep off. If it is positioned inside, roll it up on the transport core provided when the mat was shipped to you, (keep the core), and take it outside and pressure wash at no more than 70 Psi. This forces grit particles out of the middle of the polypropylene fabric. Allow the entrance mat to dry for at least four (4) hours and place back into service.

In case of cold weather and cannot do pressure washing:

- Use a hot water carpet extractor using only warm water which is tolerable to the touch. The extractor system will flush out sand/grit and revive mat surface.

DEEP CLEANING – RESTORING

EQUIPMENT:

- Hot water extraction is the most effective method of removing deep soil. Units with heavy water pressure (Psi), and strong suction (water lift) are recommended for best results. Water temperature should not exceed 100°F.

METHOD:

- When extracting, do not over wet the carpet, and extract as much water as possible with dry passes following the final wet pass. Avoid cleaning chemicals that leave residue. Remaining residue can attract soil and cause the need for frequent cleaning.

FREQUENCY:

- Heavy traffic, extract a minimum of four (4) times a year.
- Medium traffic, extract a minimum of two (2) times a year.
- Light traffic, extract once a year.

For further assistance, contact your Prospec sales representative.