# CARING FOR YOUR SYNTHETIC FLOOR

### **Connor Sports Recycled Rubber and Polyurethane Surfaces**

### GENERAL

- Maintain a consistent cleaning schedule; DO NOT allow dirt and grime to build up on your Elastiroll<sup>™</sup>, Elastimat<sup>™</sup>, or Elastilock<sup>™</sup> surface. Postponing or ignoring regular maintenance will not only make cleaning much more difficult, but it may also affect the lifespan of your floor and void your warranty.
- 2. Whenever possible, limit the use of street shoes as they can and will track in dirt, scuff the floor, and increase the maintenance needs.
- 3. Place walk-off mats at door entrances to reduce dirt and grit from foot traffic. To be effective, mats must be vacuumed often and cleaned regularly.
- 4. NOTE: Mats with black rubber backing may discolor and permanently damage the floor.
- 5. Do not use highly basic or highly acid cleaners, such as those that are designed for toilets and hard tile.
- 6. When using a battery powered automatic scrubber; maintain, and periodically check the battery pack for any damage. Acid of any kind will permanently stain a polyurethane floor.
- 7. If bleachers are being used near the rubber or polyurethane surface, periodically check bleacher operation when extending and retracting to avoid damage from malfunctions such as incorrect tracking or missing wheels.
- 8. Check the legs of all tables and chairs before use to ensure the protective end caps are not missing or damaged.
- If carts or vehicles with pneumatic tires (especially new tires) are to be stored on the rubber surface for an extended period, we recommend placing protective pads under wheels to avoid damage of any type.
- 10. Do not drag any equipment that may have sharp edges, such as volleyball poles, loaded tables or folding chairs across the surface.
- 11. Limit or restrict food and beverages as they will drastically increase maintenance needs. Some types of drinks, if allowed to stand, may stain rubber.
- 12. Do not allow water to stand around exercise equipment as rust will stain rubber.
- 13. DO NOT SCRUB FLOOR FOR 72 HOURS AFTER INSTALLATION

### **Recommended Equipment and Supplies**

- Automatic scrubber, maximum 300 RPM equipped only with soft nylon bristle brushes.
- High quality wet dry vacuum
- Neutral pH cleaner that does not cause high volume sudsing

### **Rubber Facts**

 Elastiroll<sup>™</sup>, Elastimat<sup>™</sup>, and Elastilock<sup>™</sup> are composed of rubber which is a renewable natural product made with recycled materials.

**NNOR** SPORTS

- Rubber matures with age, similar to any naturally occurring product, meaning during the first 6 months to 1 year, your floor will be maturing as it is used, maintained, and exposed to the elements. Climate and region also play a roll in how the maturing process takes place.
- It is not unusual during the maturation period for the surface to appear to attract dirt more frequently, making regular maintenance slightly more demanding.
- After the maturation period ends, the surface will be noticeably easier to clean.

### **INITIAL CLEANING REGIMEN**

- Remove any debris, dirt, sand and grit by sweeping, dry mopping, or vacuuming. Upon completion, use a wet mop or an approved auto scrubber to deep clean the floor.
- Scrub floor with a neutral pH low sudsing cleaner using a buffer or auto scrubber with a soft nylon brush or an approved pad. Avoid flooding the floor.
- Remove the used cleaning solution with a wet vacuum when possible. Rinse the area with clean water to remove any residue left behind.
- Remove any standing water with a wet vacuum and all the area to dry thoroughly, air drying preferred, for no less then 6-8 hours.

### WEEKLY MAINTENANCE

- Remove any debris, dirt, sand and grit by sweeping, dry mopping, or vacuuming. Upon completion, use a wet mop or an approved auto scrubber to deep clean the floor.
- For normal cleaning, dilute 2-3 oz's of a neutral pH cleaner per gallon of water. For heavily soiled surfaces, dilute 5-10 oz's of a neutral pH cleaner per gallon of water. Always follow the dilution instruction provided by the cleaner manufacturer.
- When cleaning the surface, use a dampened microfiber mop or an auto-scrubber with an approved pad.
- In large facilities, clean the area section by section to allow for efficient drying.
- Once the floor is fully cleaned and properly rinsed, allow the floor to completely dry before returning to use.

## NOTE: IF AFTER DRYING A WHITE FILM OR STREAKS APPEAR, THE SURFACE WAS INSUFFICIENTLY RINSED. RINSE THE SURFACE USING CLEAN WATER AGAIN AND ALLOW TO DRY.

