

# GarageTek Modular Floor Tile Maintenance Tips

All floors require cleaning. Periodic cleaning of your modular flooring will maintain the beauty of your GarageTek Modular Floor. The following information and instructions will assist you in caring for your new floor.

- GarageTek Modular flooring tiles are manufactured with 100% virgin polypropylene. Polypropylene, although naturally non-porous and resistant to staining and corrosion from harsh chemicals, must be maintained as you would any other floor in or around your home. Over time, petroleum-based products will discolor and damage the tiles. The key is to treat this floor like any other floor. If you spill, clean it up. Any chemical spills, such as paint should be cleaned up immediately.
- The underside of the floor tiles is designed to allow cleaning and flushing with a hose. If you use a pressure power washer, maintain a tip-to-surface distance of at least 10". Failure to maintain this minimum distance may dislodge the tile connections.
- A deep cleaning is possible by separating the floor tiles along a continuous seam and removing that section of flooring. Use a hose or power washer to rinse both the removed tile section and the exposed surface where the tiles were installed.

## Ongoing Upkeep & Maintenance

Routine cleaning with a damp mop and a citrus cleaner is recommended to remove surface dirt and grime. Stubborn stains or "skid" marks left by such things as a child's bike may require using a brush or the Mr. Clean "Eraser". Using a power washer with detergent is an alternative. If there is overspray with dirty splashes onto the walls, simply spray the wall which is water proof.

## Intense Cleaning

If the floor is not cleaned for a long period of time, such as over the course of a winter, salts and dirt may have accumulated and become ground into the floor.

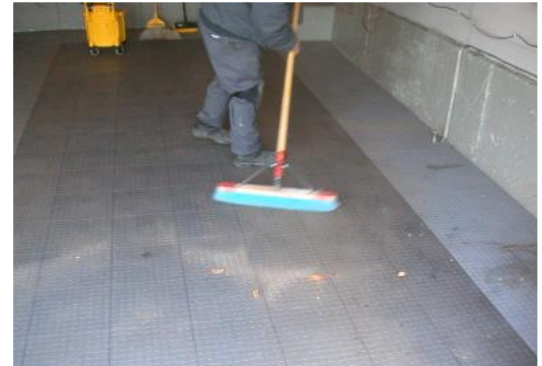
Cleaning will require the use of a stiff bristle brush as shown in the images below. Alternatives would be renting a rotary floor machine or hiring a floor cleaning service (i.e., Stanley Steamer) which uses such a heavy-duty machine.

If left on the floor for an extended period of time, some harsh chemicals may discolor the tiles and they will need to be replaced. For example, antifreeze will stain the tiles green.

## Need Assistance?

If you cannot clean out tough stains or need to replace damaged ProTek tiles, contact GarageTek to discuss ways to remedy.

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Step 1: Sweep floor with stiff brush



Step 2: Add citrus-based cleaner to hot water



Step 3: Brush, mop or power wash floor. Use Mr. Clean Magic Eraser for tough stains



Step 4: Mop, hose or power wash with clean water.