

Happy Labor day



Believe or not, there's a right way to mop floors

It's a common misconception that more soap equals cleaner floors. In reality, using too many suds leaves behind a sticky residue—and that sticky residue can trap more grime. Whether you opt for a homemade or commercial cleaner, choose the one that's best for your floor type, and use it *sparingly*.

- **Hardwood:** Check if your floors are finished with polyurethane or wax. If your floors are sealed with polyurethane, use a mild or pH-neutral soap with water. Avoid cleaning products (natural or commercial) with acidic additives, which can damage wood over time. If your floors are waxed, use a damp (almost dry) mop once a week at most.
- **Laminate:** As is the case with hardwoods, less is more when it comes to water; you want to keep it from seeping underneath the laminate planks. Try damp mopping and spot cleaning, but *never* use a commercial floor cleaner with polish.
- **Vinyl:** One of the best cleansers for this floor surface is a solution of apple cider vinegar and water. Due to its acidity, vinegar helps remove dirt without leaving behind a buildup, and it disinfects at the same time.
- **Linoleum:** Not as resilient as vinyl, this floor surface requires a milder cleaner. Mix a few drops of dish soap with hot water in a spray bottle, and then spritz the surface section by section. Finish up by going over the floor with clean water from a dampened mop.
- **Stone tile:** Mop with a pH-neutral, non-chelating cleaner that won't react with the minerals in the stone. Skip bleach, ammonia, and vinegar, as even small amounts could damage the seal on stone tile floors.
- **Ceramic tile:** White vinegar and water create an effective, odor-eliminating, nontoxic cleanser for this floor surface—great for households with pets and children.

Location of the Month

Tri Star Mercedes Benz. Great Job Ana and Javier!

Remember... We clean with colors

Color-Coding:

Reduces the risk of cross-contamination by identifying use in different departments and surface areas. Choose the right color for your cleaning procedure.



GETTING LONGER LIFE FROM CARPETS

A recent study shows most facility managers are selecting carpeting over hard-surface flooring for practical reasons... including noise control, aesthetics, and slip resistance. However, their biggest concern about selecting carpet is its overall performance and longevity.

ROTOVAC 360



State of the Art Technology in Carpet Cleaning.

J Valle Cleaning recommends the use of the extraction method of carpet cleaning which removes the deepest embedded dirt particles.

Are you considering new flooring or carpet? Call us for a FREE consultation on potential maintenance.

We provide expertise on real-life wear-and-tear and what facility managers should expect in maintenance costs. We also caution property managers to examine the necessary preventative maintenance program to ensure long life, as well as maintain a healthy indoor working environment.

Odor Control on Upholstery and Fabrics



Odor control goes beyond the restroom in office buildings. Fabric surfaces in your building attract and hold odors such as smoke, food, body odor, or perfumes.

Maintenance programs should include odor control on cubicle partitions, office chairs, conference room window treatments, and reception area chairs.



To: Our waxing crew for the shiny and bright floors they left at Golf Town in Moncton. Their staff was impressed!!!