



## CLEANING METHODS

### Frontrunner Entrance

## MATTING & FLOORING

Regular cleaning as part of planned regime will maintain both the effectiveness and life span of the product.

#### PREPARATION

Brush/vacuum surface to remove all loose debris. Scrape any solid deposits off surface of mat. Use a chewing gum remover if required

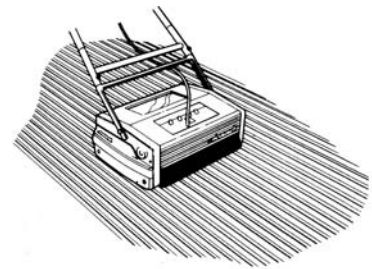
#### HAND CLEANING

A cleaning fluid should be sprayed onto the flooring/matting and allowed to penetrate any grease or dirt before rinsing with clean water. A stiff brush may be used to work the cleaning fluid into the surface dirt.



#### MACHINE CLEANING

Following pre-spray, clean top surface initially - where ribbed, in the direction of the ribs using a cylindrical brush machine. Where there are etched patterns on the top ribs in which dirt is deposited, additional cross passes should be made to complete the cleaning.



#### STEAM CLEANING

Any type of steam cleaner may be used. Good results have been obtained with nozzle pressure of approximately 6894.8 kN/m<sup>2</sup> (1000 lbs p.s.i.) and water temperature of approximately 100°C. Cleaning fluid should be diluted according to the steam cleaning machine manufacturers' recommendations. Experience has shown that it is preferable to spray on a hot cleaning fluid/water solution, allowing it to soak for a few minutes before steaming off.

#### DEGREASING

Some users in the food industry have found that the method for general cleaning purposes in, say, meat preparation areas, can be equally satisfactory for matting. For example, if the matting becomes coated with grease, it may be completely immersed in a solution of warm water and a suitable cleaning fluid. Use the manufacturers' recommended mix in any suitable tank. Once it has been allowed to soak until the grease is lifting off the surface, it can be removed from the tank and lightly brushed over with a stiff bristle brush before hosing down with clean water.

#### CLEANING FLUIDS

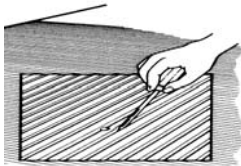
It is recommended that a fluid cleaner be used in preference to powder, which tends to be harder to remove and may leave a film on the surface.

### VOLUME AND TYPE OF TRAFFIC

The following cleaning and maintenance procedures are recommended to ensure the product maintains its desired appearance and effective performance, as well as ensuring a long life span for the product. The cleaning regime will depend on traffic volume over the entrance system together with the level of soil in areas prior to the entrance. If the entrance system is allowed to become saturated with dirt and debris it will prove more difficult to restore. Regular cleaning appropriate to soiling is therefore recommended.

### DAILY CLEANING

Vacuum with an industrial cleaner, preferably using a driven brush to agitate the pile of the absorbent inserts. Should stones, salt particles or other solid matter become embedded between the surface ribs, remove using a blunt instrument (screwdriver) or similar device.



### CHEWING GUM & STAIN REMOVAL

In addition to daily routine above, its important to remove chewing gum deposits and stains as they appear. Failure to keep up regular gum removal may attract further deposits.

### WEEKLY CLEANING

**Manual Dry Cleaning** – Clean the top surface using a long handed deck scrub or similar brush that will not leave fibres on the mat. Be sure to scrub in both directions to clean the top ribs as well as the tread surface of the PVC grid.

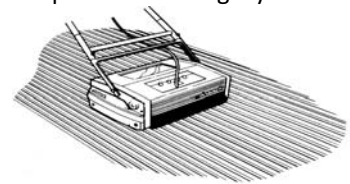
Apply a “Dry method” cleaning compound to surface of mat. Brush and agitate compound in all areas of mat until compound is fully absorbed.



If possible leave for 30 minutes then vacuum and brush until all compound is removed.

**Machine Wet Cleaning** – Follow routine of manual cleaning, then clean top surface using cylindrical brush machine.

Initially work in direction of top ribs then across the ribs to complete cleaning.



If a cylindrical brush machine is not available equally good results can be achieved using a high-pressure water extraction process.

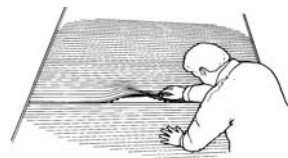
In areas of abundant salt build up, apply a pre soak solution of vinegar and water (1:20 mix) to the surface prior to machine cleaning.

### MATWELL CLEANING

1. Dependent on the density of traffic and level of soiling, it may become necessary to effect a thorough cleaning of the Fronrunner Entrance Systems and the recessed well.

2. Carefully lift and remove each section of Fronrunner Entrance Matting one at a time. Roll up and tag each mat section to identify its location and orientation in the mat recess. It is very important that care is taken not to over stretch the sections of matting during removal.

3. Start from the centre of the installation and use a blunt instrument (screwdriver) or similar tool to lift the sections of the mat.



4. Once all of the Fronrunner sections have been removed vacuum/sweep the recess thoroughly, ensuring to pick up all stones or grit particles.

5. Replace the matting sections as originally laid working from the edges to the centre of the installation. When installing the sections at the edge of the frame, be sure to slide them under the frame lips.

6. Perform the weekly cleaning regime previously detailed.

7. Check fastness of all screws on aluminum edging/framing, clean with any commercial aluminum cleaner if required.