

# METHOD STATEMENT – DAMP MOPPING



## STEP 1 – ASSESSMENT DETAILS

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| Method Statement Reference:            | CCRM-037                 | FREQUENCY (TICK AS APPROPRIATE) |        |         |           |        |
| Issue Number                           | 11                       |                                 |        |         |           |        |
| Task:                                  | Damp Mopping             | Daily                           | Weekly | Monthly | Quarterly | Yearly |
| Date Completed:                        | 5 March 2025             |                                 |        |         |           |        |
| Employee consultation and involvement: | Dina Oliveira            |                                 |        |         |           |        |
| Re-Assessment Due*:                    | One year from above date | ✓                               |        |         |           |        |
| Method Statement Completed By:         | Health & Safety Manager  | Emergency Telephone Number:     |        |         |           |        |
|                                        |                          | 0800 052 0185                   |        |         |           |        |

## STEP 2 – PERSONEL REQUIRED (DURING ACTIVITY)

| Lone Worker | 2 or More Persons | First Aider | Supervisor/Team Leader | Management |
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| ✓           | ✓                 |             |                        |            |

## STEP 3 – PROCEDURES TO BE CARRIED OUT (BEFORE STARTING WORK)

| Training & Knowledge<br>Company safety Site -<br>induction form: F039 | Adhere To the Operational<br>Controls Of The Company | Assess The Foot Fall of The<br>Area at The Time Of<br>Operation | Place Warning Signs | Perform Visual Check<br>of Equipment | Fit Other safety Control<br>Implemented by Us Or<br>The Client |
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| ✓                                                                     | ✓                                                    | ✓                                                               | ✓                   | ✓                                    | ✓                                                              |

## STEP 4 – HAZARDS, PRODUCT AND & PPE

| Slips, Trips & Falls                                                                | Manual Handling                                                                     | Harmful/Irritant                                                                     | Protective Gloves                                                                     | Sensible work shoes                                                                   | Respirator Face Mask<br>FFP2/FFP3or Surgical<br>Mask                                  |
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| ✓                                                                                   | ✓                                                                                   | ✓                                                                                    | ✓                                                                                     | ✓                                                                                     | ✓                                                                                     |

## STEP 5 – PRODUCT USAGE

| Product Name       | Product Usage                | Product Type      | Usage Dilution      | Application / Equipment              |
|--------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Probio Floor Scrub | Floor cleaner for daily use. | Clear Blue Liquid | 20ml to every 5 Lt  | Bucket, cloth, mop, & abrasive pads, |
| Synbio Multi       | Multi purpose cleaner        | Clear Blue Liquid | 25 ml to every 5 Lt | Bucket, cloth, mop, & abrasive pads  |

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## STEP 6 – METHOD STATEMENT

| SAFETY                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 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| <p>1. Only authorised operatives, trained in the procedure to carry out this task.</p> <p>2. <b>Flat mops must be used in all public areas at all time (reception, lift lobby etc.) except busy hours of the building- please see CCRM-021.</b></p> <p>3. <b>Conventional mops could be used in back of house areas as last resort only when the surface is: (flat, rough, footfall is low) such as loading bay , store/machine rooms, etc. .</b></p> <p><b>PLEASE CONSULT YOUR LINE MANAGER BEFORE</b></p> <p>4. Put enough yellow warning signs.</p> <p>5. Follow COSHH instructions on safe use of chemicals. &amp; wear PPE</p> <p>6. Inspect Equipment for any faults.</p> <p>7. Wipe any spillages as they occur.</p> <p>8. Stress and time management on new operatives are the cause for skill base mistakes like (rule base, laps of memory and knowledge base mistakes). <b>ALWAYS ASK YOUR SUPERVISOR “ IF NOT SURE” OF THE SEQUENCE AND/OR METHOD OF THE OPERATION</b></p> <p>9. When mopping inside cubicles, step fully inside or into the cubicle. <b><u>DO NOT HOLD THE DOOR WITH ANY PART OF YOUR BODY. MAKE SURE DOOR IS CLOSE BEHIND YOU.</u></b></p> <p>10. <b>Pay special attention to doors with a short ending edge at the bottom (space between the door and the floor )</b></p> <p>11. <b>NEVER HOLD THESE DOORS WITH ANY PART OF YOUR BODY WHEN TRYING TO REACH THE FAR CORNERS. especially when they (doors) open outwards.....!“I!”</b></p> | <p><u>Front of house areas:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Caution yellow signs.</li> <li>• Colour Coded Flat Mop</li> <li>• Cloth</li> <li>• Correct Materials for the type of floor</li> <li>• Dust control sweeper</li> <li>• Dustpan and Brush</li> <li>• Black Sacks</li> </ul> <p>Method:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Put on gloves</li> <li>2. Add the chemical to the water in the flat mop to the dilution stated with the pelican pump or dosing cap</li> <li>3. Select the correctly coded flat mop.</li> <li>4. Place Caution signs around the area to be mopped.</li> <li>5. Pick up any large waste and place in black sack.</li> <li>6. Sweep the area paying attention to the corners and edges.</li> <li>7. Sweep up with dustpan and brush into the black sack.</li> <li>8. Spray the solution and on the floor</li> <li>9. Mop the edges then, with over lapping passes, mop the remaining area.</li> <li>10. Return your mop to the cleaning cupboard.</li> <li>11. Empty the flat mop water tank into the drain. Rinse and wipe clean.</li> <li>12. Rinse out the flat mop head and stand to dry.</li> <li>13. Dispose of any waste in the black sacks in the correct area.</li> <li>14. Check the floor area to ensure it is completely dry follow steps below..</li> </ol> <p><b>Use of toilet tissue to ensure the floor is completely dry and free from moisture, (dab, tap or press) some tissue on 3 different parts of the floor and check the tissue for moisture.</b></p> <p><b>OR</b></p> <p><b>After mopping give sufficient time for the floor to dry. Then take a second clean dry mop. And DRY OFF the area from possible moisture.</b></p> <p>Health and Safety:</p> | <p><u>Equipment back of house areas :</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Caution yellow signs.</li> <li>• Colour Coded Mop</li> <li>• Colour coded bucket and wringer</li> <li>• Cloth</li> <li>• Correct Materials for the type of floor</li> <li>• Dust control sweeper</li> <li>• Dustpan and Brush</li> <li>• Black Sacks</li> </ul> <p>Method:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Put on gloves</li> <li>2) Fill the bucket to the correct level.</li> <li>3) Add the chemical to the water to the dilution stated with the pelican pump.</li> <li>4) Select the correctly coded mop.</li> <li>5) Place Caution signs around the area to be mopped.</li> <li>6) Pick up any large waste and place in black sack.</li> <li>7) Sweep the area paying attention to the corners and edges.</li> <li>8) Sweep up with dustpan and brush into the black sack.</li> <li>9) Soak the mop in the solution and water then wring to a damp head.</li> <li>10) Damp mop the edges then, with over lapping passes, mop the remaining area.</li> <li>11) Return your mop and bucket to the cleaning cupboard.</li> <li>12) Empty the bucket into the drain. Rinse and wipe clean.</li> <li>13) Rinse out the mop head and stand to dry.</li> <li>14) Dispose of any waste in the black sacks in the correct area.</li> <li>15) Check the floor area to ensure it is completely dry follow steps below..</li> </ol> <p><b>Use of toilet tissue to ensure the floor is completely dry and free from moisture, (dab, tap or press) some tissue on 3 different parts of the floor and check the tissue for moisture.</b></p> <p><b>OR</b></p> <p><b>After mopping give sufficient time for the floor to dry. Then take a second clean dry mop. And DRY OFF the area from possible moisture.</b></p> <p>Health and Safety:</p> | <p>1. Wash mops and cloths and hang to dry.</p> <p>2. Wash flat mop heads and hang to dry</p> <p>3. Wash buckets wipe out and store.</p> <p>4. Clean all items used, including yellow signs.</p> |

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| <p><b>BEFORE REMOVING YELLOW SIGNS:</b> Polished, shiny or glossy floors can normally give a wet appearance. Therefore it is sometimes difficult to tell from a purely visual assessment as to what areas may still be damp specially if the atmosphere is humid. There are two options before removing yellow signs safely.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Use good manual handling technique when moving</li> <li>● Use correct colour coded mop and correct type of the mop depending on the area you are cleaning</li> <li>● Follow COSHH instructions on safe use of chemicals.               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Once completely dry and only when it is, remove signs.</li> <li>2. Wipe down skirting board or walls with damp cloth.</li> <li>3. Rinse out cloths and gloves.</li> <li>4. Remove Caution signs and return them to the cupboard.</li> <li>5. Secure the area if necessary</li> </ol> </li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Use good manual handling technique when moving equipment such as buckets of water.</li> <li>● Use correct colour coded mop and correct type of the mop depending on the area you are cleaning</li> <li>● Follow COSHH instructions on safe use of chemicals.               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Once completely dry and only when it is, remove signs.</li> <li>2) Wipe down skirting board or walls with damp cloth.</li> <li>3) Rinse out cloths and gloves.</li> <li>4) Remove Caution signs and return them to the cupboard.</li> <li>5) Secure the area if necessary.</li> </ol> </li> </ul> |  |
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## STEP 7 – RISK ASSESSMENT (likelihood X Severity = Risk)

| CATEGORY              | HAZARD                                                                      | POTENTIAL HARM                               | LIKELIHOOD | Severity | Risk before Controls | Risk After Controls | COMMENTS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|------------|----------|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Damp mopping of floor | Slips, trips & falls / Equipment (Mop poles, buckets etc) – trips and falls | Broken bones/bruises/cuts                    | 4          | 3        | 12                   | 3                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Staff training/good housekeeping</li> <li>● Staff trained in safe method of work</li> <li>● Site induction &amp; Toolbox Programme</li> <li>● Competent Supervision</li> <li>● Equipment not left unattended</li> </ul>                                                                                                                |
| Damp mopping of floor | Slips, trips & falls / Wet and slippery floor surfaces /                    | Broken bones/bruises/cuts                    | 4          | 3        | 12                   | 3                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Warning signs displayed</li> <li>● Staff instructed to wear sensible shoes</li> <li>● As possible work carried out while building unoccupied</li> <li>● Site induction &amp; Toolbox Programme</li> <li>● Competent Supervision</li> <li>● Follow instructions &amp; Method = <b>BEFORE REMOVING YELLOW SIGNS – Step 14</b></li> </ul> |
| Damp mopping of floor | Use of cleaning chemicals                                                   | Inhalation, skin irritation, eye irritation. | 3          | 3        | 9                    | 3                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Staff training/PPE provided / Toolbox programme / supervision</li> <li>● COSHH assessments</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Manual Handling       | Heavy objects/bending/awkward positions                                     | Back injuries                                | 3          | 2        | 6                    | 2                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Staff trained in manual handling</li> <li>● Manual handling assessment</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

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| OVERALL RISK RATING BEFORE CONTROL:<br>9.75                                                                                                                              |  | Very Low                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Low | Medium | High | COMMENTS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
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| OVERALL RISK RATING AFTER CONTROL:<br>2.75                                                                                                                               |  | Very Low                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Low | Medium | High |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
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| <u>LIKELIHOOD</u><br>1. IMPROBABLE OCCURRENCE<br>2. REMOTED OCCURRENCE<br>3. REASONABLY PROBABLE OCCURRENCE<br>4. VERY LIKELY OCCURRENCE<br>5. ALMOST CERTAIN OCCURRENCE |  | <u>SEVERITY</u><br>1. <u>SLIGHT</u> : NO INJURY or Injury requiring first Aid treatment<br>2. <u>MINOR</u> : INJURY requiring medical treatment with absence from 3 days to 3 weeks<br>3. <u>MODERATE</u> : Injury illness resulting in temporary disability (eg. fractures) and absence over 3 weeks<br>4. <u>SERIOUS</u> : Severe injury or permanent disability (e.g loss of limb, sight) property and equipment damage<br>5. <u>MAJOR</u> : Immediate danger exist, capable of causing death, loss or damage on a wide scale and serious business disruption (e.g. Explosion, fire, structural damage, etc.) |     |        |      | <u>INTERPRETATION</u><br>4 and below very Low risk = No further action, but ensure controls are maintained an review<br>5 to 8 Low risk = Risk Can be tolerated or for only short term. Plan introduction of measures with a define time period<br>9 to 15 Medium Risk = Planned and introduce further control measures to mitigate the risk within a time scale<br>16 and Above = Stop activity and immediate action |