

## Industrial Cleaning Machine

Used Industrial Cleaning Machine Bakersfield - Commercial floor scrubbers provide an efficient, cost-effective and fast way to clean floor surfaces and are used for regular maintenance. Did you know that according to surveys, roughly ninety percent of the maintenance for flooring expenses is related to labor? Large areas can be cleaned thoroughly and with less staff when commercial floor scrubbers are utilized. Commercial floor scrubbers are available in several automated types. Many technological advancements feature robotic upgrades to make commercial floor scrubbers more user-friendly. Floor scrubbers are equipped with an automated system which dispenses a cleaning compound. Some automatic floor scrubbing models within a vacuum system may be fitted at the rear of the machine with a squeegee attachment behind the suction nozzle. These machines feature separate recovery or collection tanks. There are two tanks on the machine; the cleaning mixture is situated in the dispersing tank and the collection tank is where the materials collected by the vacuum accumulate. This ensures that the clean water and dirty water are kept separate which makes floor scrubbers a more hygienic alternative to traditional cleaning methods such as a mop and bucket. First, the automatic scrubber dispenses the cleaning solution and the scrubbing system is activated to loosen stains and dirt which are next suctioned into the collection tank of the machine when it passes over a location.

### Automatic Floor Scrubber Head Types

Automatic floor scrubbers are available in three common types of floor scrubber heads: 1. Rotary, sometimes referred to as disk; 2. Cylindrical; and 3. Square oscillating.

#### Rotary or Disk Floor Scrubber Head

The rotary or disk style floor scrubber head is the most common type of scrubber head. They use a circular motion with one or two round pads or brushes to push a cleaning compound into the floor.

#### Cylindrical Floor Scrubber Head

A cylindrical floor scrubber model relies on counter-rotating tube brushes which rotate at a ninety-degree to the floor. This type of design allows for better cleaning of irregular or uneven locations. The cylindrical floor scrubbing machines often have a collection tray found behind the scrubber head to enable easier pickup of small items such as pebbles or nails. Different brush styles make it easy to clean a wide variety of floor surfaces. A softer brush can be used to clean rubber, textured tile and synthetic floors while a stiffer brush can be used for rough surfaces such as concrete and grouted tile.

#### Square Oscillating Floor Scrubber Head

The square oscillating floor scrubber features a flat pad that scrubs the floor at high speed. This square design enables faster and easier cleaning for corners and walls. When used with a special stripping pad, square scrubber heads are able to strip floor finish from a floor. They also work well for cleaning vinyl tile floors. Due to the high-speed oscillation, the square pads deliver more agitation and floor cleaning power. These square pads are useful for cleaning grouted tile.

### Floor Scrubber Categories

Four main categories comprise the floor scrubber family including Stand-on, Walk-behind, Robotic and Rider models.

#### Walk-Behind Floor Scrubbers

There is a forward assist feature on walk-behind floor scrubbing models that helps to propel the unit forward when the operator enables this mechanism. This forward assist feature helps the operator continue working for extended periods of time, helping to prevent fatigue by increasing efficiency compared to manual models.

#### Stand-On Floor Scrubbers

Stand-on floor scrubbing models showcase more efficiency for cleaning larger locations in comparison to walk-behind units. These machines are more affordable than rider floor scrubber models. Stand-on floor scrubbers offer increased maneuvering capacity and are smaller than rider models, making them capable of accessing more locations. Since the operator is standing, these units provide better line-of-sight compared to walk-behind and rider models.

#### Rider Floor Scrubbers

Rider floor scrubber models enable the operator to sit down while operating the equipment. These machines clean in a similar manner and reduce operator fatigue due to their comfortable seating. This translates to an greater ability to cover very large areas quickly, offering approximately 65 percent greater efficiency than a walk-behind floor scrubber.

#### Robotic Floor Scrubbers

Advancements in the field of autonomous robotics have created a new group of floor-scrubbing machines. These units were born by joining self-control robotic features with automatic

floor scrubbing options. Commercial floor scrubbers are commonly found in manufacturing facilities, healthcare, retail and education centers. Certain robotic commercial units are capable of cleaning an area up to ten thousand square feet in one hour. With continuous development in robotic technology, the advancement of robotic floor scrubbers will intensify over the years. Increased development projections include advanced sensors and computing mechanisms. Mobile robotic sensors enable today's floor scrubbers to complete a wider detection range around objects and walls. This will allow the machine to determine its exact location in larger environments, such as shopping malls, convention centers and airports. The first models of residential cleaning machines operated in a random cleaning pattern. However, commercial robotic floor scrubbers are now able to create an accurate plan for cleaning. This allows these robots to cover the entire floor in a predictable and consistent pattern each time they operate. Very few locations (if any) on the floor are missed due to this advanced technology that communicates exactly where the machine has already cleaned and which areas are still outstanding. These machines are capable of safely navigating around obstacles or people while they operate autonomously.

**Additional Floor Scrubber Options and Considerations**

**Hard to Reach Areas** Many floor scrubbers are unable to reach edges, corners or under or around fixtures such as water fountains. This normally translates to certain locations requiring to be cleaned in traditional methods. However, some manufacturers now produce floor scrubbers with oscillating brush decks which allow the scrubber to reach these difficult areas.

**Pre-Sweeping and Vacuum System Maintenance** Pre-sweeping features and vacuum systems enable newer models to complete a dry cleaning before the wet scrub option. This allows the machine to remove debris prior to scrubbing without having to employ a traditional dry mop or broom. The pre-sweep brush head and collection chamber is placed in front of the vacuum system to collect dust and loose debris before it is able to reach the the vacuum system. This helps to avoid a blockage in the vacuum hose or motor. Previously, the cleaning crew was required to dry mop or sweep the location before employing the floor scrubber to collect any dust and debris that might harm the machine. Similar to residential vacuum systems, if a blockage happens, the vacuum hose may need to be removed to clear the area. The vacuum motor may need to be blown out with compressed air to dislodge the blockage.

**Environmental Options** Environmentally friendly options are also available on some floor scrubbers. There are more environmental features incorporated into certain designs including safer soaps and water-saving systems to reduce the greywater and the chemicals. Some floor scrubbers are even able to clean without water and chemicals at all.

**Solution Dispensing System Maintenance and Considerations** Stripping solutions are not compatible with most floor scrubbers as they can cause damage to the solution dispensing system. Stripping solutions can be safely vacuumed up by the machine without causing damage. The solution system should be periodically flushed with a water and vinegar mixture to clean the system of any soap and calcium deposits that can accumulate in the solution system.