

## Industrial Cleaning Machine

Used Industrial Cleaning Machine Elk Grove - Save hours of time by relying on commercial floor scrubbers to provide an efficient method for cleaning and maintaining floors in an efficient manner. Did you know that according to surveys, roughly ninety percent of the maintenance for flooring expenses is related to labor? Commercial floor scrubbers provide a way to clean large areas quicker and with fewer workers. There are a variety of automated commercial floor scrubbing models available on the market. Many technological advancements feature robotic upgrades to make commercial floor scrubbers more user-friendly. These machines offer an automated system for evenly dispersing the cleaning compound at regular intervals. Behind the suction nozzle on the vacuum, a squeegee attachment can be located on automatic floor scrubbers to add to their cleaning capacity. There are separate recovery and collection tanks situated on the machine. 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. Having separation between dirty water and clean water creates a more sanitary cleaning option. The automatic scrubber operates by first dispensing the cleaning compound from the dispensing tank, then using the scrubbing system, to push the cleaning compound into the floor surface and loosen dirt, stains and marks which are then quickly suctioned into the machine's collection tank as the unit makes its pass over an area.

### Automatic Floor Scrubber Head Types

There are three main types of floor scrubber heads including cylindrical, rotary (also known as disk), and 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

Rotating at a 90-degree angle to the floor, the cylindrical floor scrubber model features counter-rotating tube designed brushes to facilitate cleaning. These allow for better cleaning of uneven or irregular surfaces. Scrubbers relying on a cylindrical head typically have a collection unit found behind the scrubber head that allows for bigger items including stones and nails to be collected to eliminate having to sweep the floor before cleaning. Different brush styles make it easy to clean a wide variety of floor surfaces. Soft brushes can be utilized to clean synthetic floors, textured tile and rubber and harder bristles can be used for cleaning grouted tile, concrete and other harder surfaces.

#### Square Oscillating Floor Scrubber Head

There is a flat pad on square oscillating floor scrubbing models that vibrate at high speed to clean the floor. The square design makes it easier to clean close to walls and in corners. 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. Because the square pad oscillates at very high speed, they apply more agitation to the floor resulting in more cleaning power. They do very well when 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. The forward assist mechanism can help eliminate operator fatigue by enabling the operator to work longer in comparison to manual and traditional methods.

#### 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 have greater maneuverability are usually more compact than a rider machine, enabling it to fit into locations that a rider unit would have a difficult time accessing. 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 design facilitates up to sixty-five percent more efficiency in comparison to the walk-behind models and allows large areas of the floor to be covered more efficiently.

### Robotic Floor Scrubbers

Technological design

advancements within the field of autonomous robotics have helped to create a new army of floor-scrubbing machines. These units were born by joining self-control robotic features with automatic floor scrubbing options. Popular locations where commercial floor scrubbers are employed include retail, healthcare, education centers and in manufacturing locations. Some commercial robotic floor scrubbing machines are able to clean up to a 10,000-square-foot area in one hour. With continuous development in robotic technology, the advancement of robotic floor scrubbers will intensify over the years. Improved computing technology and better sensors are some of the noted areas expected to become even more efficient. The latest advancements in mobile robotic sensors enable these floor scrubbing units to detect a wider range around walls and objects. This technology will help the machine note its location in expansive environments including shopping malls, airports and convention centers. The first models of residential cleaning machines operated in a random cleaning pattern. Updated models of commercial floor scrubbing units can complete their jobs much more accurately. These machines travel in a consistent and predictable manner every time they are in operation. Because of these advancing capabilities which allow these robotic floor scrubbers to know precisely where they have already cleaned and what areas they must still clean, they miss very few, if any, areas of the floor. Robotic floor scrubbers are also designed to navigate around people and obstacles that they encounter during autonomous operation.

**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. Typically, these locations would need to be cleaned with a mop and bucket if they could not accommodate the machine. There are oscillating brush decks available for certain floor scrubbing models to help them deal with hard-to-reach areas.

**Pre-Sweeping and Vacuum System Maintenance** Newer floor scrubbers usually include an option that allows for a pre-sweep prior to the wet scrub. These upgrades increase efficiency and cleanliness by allowing the operator to do everything with the machine. The collection chamber is situated in front of the vacuum system to catch loose debris and dust before these items can damage the unit. 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. In the event a blockage occurs, the vacuum hose may need to be removed and cleaned. In some cases, the vacuum motor might need to be blown out using compressed air.

**Environmental Options** Some models of floor scrubbers have been designed with environmentally friendly options in mind. Safe soaps and water-saving systems work to save on both the number of chemicals used as well as the amount of greywater produced. Some floor scrubbers are even able to clean without water and chemicals at all.

**Solution Dispensing System Maintenance and Considerations** Stripping solutions cannot be used with most floor scrubbing models as they can damage the solution dispensing system. However, they can still be vacuumed up by the machine without damage. It is recommended maintenance to use a vinegar and water mixture to periodically flush out the solution system to remove any soap or calcium deposits.