

## Annual Spring Cleaning

Like any surface, such as concrete or asphalt a good routine maintenance program will enhance the longevity and appearance of your SofCRETE® surface. SofCRETE surface will need to be broom swept and/or vacuumed (shop vacuum) and scrubbed at spring cleaning. Remove any branches, debris or loose materials that may have accumulated over winter.

## Bi-Annual Spring Cleaning

SofCRETE® can be additionally enhanced by cleaning with:

- a) Power Washer (3000 PSI, Fan tip, portable power washer with detergent additive).
- b) Commercial Cleaner (Heavy duty, high foaming detergent Mr. Clean or approved equal)

Procedure

- 1 - Broom surface clear of contaminants using a stiff bristled outdoor broom
- 2 - Dilute cleaner concentrate adding 2 cups per gallon of hot water (1:8 ratio)
- 3 - Clean surface in 5'X5' sections applying diluted cleaner to the surface until wet
- 4 - Thoroughly scrub surface using a stiff bristled outdoor broom.
- 5 - Work diluted cleaner to a thick foam
- 6 - Hose thoroughly. No foam or evidence of residue should be apparent after hosing
- 7 - After cleaning entire surface, re-wet with water to ensure complete flushing.

## Routine Cleaning (optional)

Depending on the frequency of use, the SofCRETE® surface can be covered with dirt or debris that builds up with normal usage as well as an accumulation of loose granules due to abrasion.

### Sweeping

Sweeping the surface with a stiff bristle broom will be the most common method of keeping the SofCRETE® surface clean. However, because of the porosity and granular texture of the surface it is difficult to remove all contaminants by sweeping alone.

### Water Hose

Use a water hose with a pressure spray tip to remove contaminants from porous top surface. This is easier than using a broom. However, interior installations may place restrictions on water usage.

### Cleaning Agents

Household or commercial cleaners that contain both odor suppressants and disinfectants can be used on SofCRETE®. Dilute this cleaning agent as recommended by the manufacturer. Apply to the surface using a mop or scrubbing device. This will remove most light stains.

## Advanced Maintenance

Depending on frequency of use, SofCRETE® will occasionally need a "deep clean" to remove detrital material and/or stains.

### Steam Vacuum

A steam vacuum with or without cleaning agents is ideal for advanced cleaning and maintenance. Follow manufacturers instructions.

### Power Washing

In area that can accommodate power washing, use a power washer (preferably greater than 2500 PSI) with a wand tip.

### Professional "Dry" Cleaning

Professional carpet and upholstery maintenance companies provide a system called "Dry Cleaning/Scrubbing". A "hard charger" cleaner is first applied to the surface and allowed to settle in. A cotton pad, with 1/4" strands of nylon is then attached to a rotation scrubber. This system provides for a very thorough and deep clean. Please contact your local, professional, commercial carpet cleaner for details.