

Industrial Cleaning Machine

Used Industrial Cleaning Machine Connecticut - Modern commercial floor scrubbers save time and are a cost efficient method of cleaning and maintaining large floor surfaces. Surveys reveal that labor expenses account for approximately 90% of the overall expense to maintain large floors surfaces. It is possible to save time, money and labor when you switch to commercial floor scrubbers. There are a variety of automated commercial floor scrubbing models available on the market. More recently, advancements in technology have brought about robotic versions of commercial floor scrubbers. 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. The cleaning mixture is held in the dispersing tank while the collection tank is home to the material gathered by the vacuum and the liquids accumulated there. Having separation between dirty water and clean water creates a more sanitary cleaning option. 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 operate in a circular motion with one or two round brushes or pads that push a cleaning solution 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. This type of design allows for better cleaning of irregular or uneven locations. 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. Corners and walls can be cleaned more efficiently thanks to the square head design. Square scrubbing heads can be used with a specific stripping pad to take the floor finish away. 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. 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

The walk-behind floor scrubber units have a forward assist feature that softly propels the machine forward when the operator enables this item. 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 scrubbers offer an increased efficiency for greater areas than a walk-behind machine, while being more affordable than a rider floor scrubber. Stand-on floor scrubbers offer increased maneuvering capacity and are smaller than rider models, making them capable of accessing more locations. Stand-on units provide the operator with a better view compared to rider models and walk-behind machines.

Rider Floor Scrubbers

Rider floor scrubbers allow for the operator to be seated on the machine while operating. 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 robotic floor scrubbers were generated by merging the features of

automatic floor scrubbers with robotic features of self-control operations without an operator. Commercial floor scrubbers are commonly found in manufacturing facilities, healthcare, retail and education centers. Some models of commercial floor scrubbers can efficiently clean up to 10,000 square-feet in sixty minutes. New technology is developing all the time and the capacity for robotic floor scrubbers will only increase. Areas of increased development are expected specifically with improved sensors and computing components. 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. Early models of residential cleaning robots followed a random pattern when cleaning. Nowadays, commercial robotic floor scrubbers can execute an accurate map for cleaning. Newer floor scrubbing models operate in a predictable pattern to cover the floor as efficiently as possible. 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. 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. This allows the machine to remove debris prior to scrubbing without having to employ a traditional dry mop or broom. Loose items and dust are collected by the pre-sweep brush head and placed into the collection chamber located in front of the vacuum system. This design helps to avoid any blockages occurring in the motor or vacuum hose. It used to be commonplace to have the entire area first cleaned with a dry mop or broom to collect any debris or dust that might damage the unit or become lodged in the vacuum hose. 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 Certain floor scrubbing models have environmentally friendly options. There are more environmental features incorporated into certain designs including safer soaps and water-saving systems to reduce the greywater and the chemicals. There are some floor scrubbers on the market with the capacity to clean with zero chemicals or water.

Solution Dispensing System Maintenance and Considerations Damage can occur to the solution dispensing system if stripping solutions are added to traditional floor scrubbers. 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.