

- ✓ Do use cleaning products that are as “green friendly” as possible whether you are required to or not
- ✓ Take pre-measured systems (or packets) limit the possibility of overuse
- ✓ Make sure products/chemicals are either neutral pH (in the 7 range), have few dyes, perfumes, colorants and little or no VOC's (volatile organic compounds)
- ✓ Use of backpack vacuum systems improve productivity and also do a great job capturing dust particles
- ✓ Before using vacuum equipment, look for the CRI Green Label
- ✓ Attack spills as soon as possible with focus on reducing or eliminating stains and complaints
- ✓ Workload your vacuuming schedule to reflect the real world use of an area rather than going over clean areas too often or neglecting high traffic areas until it is too late
- ✓ Remember that hard floors are more labor intensive than carpeted areas due to the reality that soil shows on a hard floor and disappears into the carpet or rug without a trace
- ✓ Sweep, dust mop or better still vacuum with the correct floor tools daily or often enough to protect finish and reduce damage to floors caused by grit and soils
- ✓ Buff/burnish hard floors as needed to maintain gloss or better still, work towards a matte finish that is clean and safe to walk on
- ✓ Remember that quality walk off mats of the correct length and type can protect your floors more than all the restorative work you have to do without them
- ✓ Keep your walk off mats clean so that they do not add to the soil build up in a building

