Hard Surface Maintenance

Hard Surface Maintenance Contest Guidelines

Each contestant must demonstrate quality workmanship in maintaining a hard surface floor.

Each contestant will be required to prepare the floor by sweeping and removing any gum, if applicable and assembling equipment by putting the mop on the mop head, filling mop bucket and mixing chemicals. Contestant will then mop an area 10’ X 12’ using the cut-in method around the edges followed by using the Figure 8 pattern. The heel of the mop should always be on the floor. The contestant will use both sides of the mop to complete the area, checking for dry spots on the floor. Upon completion, contestant must empty and rinse the bucket and properly store equipment.

Each contestant will be provided the necessary equipment or components to complete the skill task to be judged in the contest, or the contestant may furnish his or her own equipment.

Each contestant will be provided the same project.

As soon as the contestant has completed the assignment and is fully satisfied with the project and workmanship, the contestant should signal the judge and stop work. This will determine the elapsed time and speed. The project will be judged on workmanship and operational techniques.

Contestants will be rated on the basis of total scores, including such things as accuracy, speed, acceptable procedure, workmanship and safety.

Maximum time allowed for mopping will be 10 minutes. There will be a 5 point penalty deducted for each minute over 10 minutes; so time will be a definite factor in determining winners.

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Rating Sheet

Contestant Number _____

(Judges Circle Rating)

Category	Excellent	Very Good	Good	Fair	Poor	Comments
Contestant list steps to be done before mopping • Sweep floor (if dry) • Pick up dirt and dust with dustpan and hand broom • Use putty knife to scrape up gum	10	8	6	4	2	
Contestant properly mixes chemicals	10	8	6	4	2	
Put out "wet floor" signs	10	8	6	4	2	
Proper use of cutting-in procedure	10	8	6	4	2	
Keeps heel of mop on the floor while mopping	10	8	6	4	2	
Use both sides of mop (flipping the mop halfway through the area)	10	8	6	4	2	
Continues mopping making 'U' turns at the end of each stroke to form a figure 8 with overlap pass	10	8	6	4	2	
Contestant checks to see if there are any missed spots	10	8	6	4	2	
Contestant empties and rinses bucket and properly stores equipment	10	8	6	4	2	
Contestant signals time keeper when finished	10	8	6	4	2	
Total points						
Time Penalty*						
Resume Score (Yes=0 No=-5)						
Judges Final Score						

Time Start _____ Time Finish _____

Time penalty: 5-points will be deducted for each minute over 10 minutes.