



SAFETYCHECK
For the Service Industry



Floor Maintenance

What Can Happen

Bruises, sprains, strained muscles, broken bones, dislocated joints and head injuries due to slips, trips and falls

What You Can Do

- ✓ Wear shoes with non-slip soles
- ✓ Remember, walk – don't run
- ✓ Keep floors free from grease, water and clutter – such as carts, boxes, trashcans and cardboard
- ✓ Clean up spills immediately

Maintenance

- ✓ Remove or repair trip hazards such as loose tiles, raised sections of flooring or worn mats
- ✓ Use non-slip mats
- ✓ Make sure that the floor mats or electrical cords do not create a trip hazard
- ✓ Mark swinging doors with **In** and **Out** signs



Cleaning the Floor

- ✓ Place **Wet Floor** warning signs when washing floors
- ✓ Use the recommended cleaning products at the suggested strengths
- ✓ Use anti-slip products that decrease the chance of slipping or falling
- ✓ Use a squeegee to remove excess water
- ✓ Remove the **Wet Floor** signs as soon as the area is dry

Did You Know?

- ✓ Floors should be made of a material that does not absorb liquids and is not slippery even when waxed
- ✓ Dry-mop stations (clean dry-mop head and bucket) should be set up near high-traffic areas so spills can be mopped up quickly

For more information refer to Ontario Regulation 851/90 (Industrial Establishments)