



## Skatelite Surface Care:

Standard maintenance for optimum performance:

### Clean:

Dust on the surface of ramps and features will reduce the performance of Skatelite.

#### Process:

The best cure for dust is to mop all ramp surfaces regularly. A dry mop (Similar to those used for cleaning gymnasium floors) can be used to sweep the ramps and decks clear of excess dust. Wet mopping will remove the remaining dust and provide a clean fast surface. Use fresh clean water. Avoid cleaners that will leave behind wax or other residue. Keeping the areas clean around the ramps will also help reduce the amount of dust on the surface of the ramps.

#### Frequency:

The frequency of mopping will vary based on location and amount of use. Most ramps should be mopped once or twice a week. Heavily used facilities and ramps in dusty environments will often be mopped daily and in some cases twice a day.

### Etch:

Maintaining the surface characteristics of the Skatelite is critical to maximizing the performance and extending the life of your ramps. Overtime the buildup of knee pad plastic and wax used by skates will reduce the performance of the Skatelite. Etching the surface will help remove surface contaminants and restore the optimal speed and grip of the surface.

#### Process:

Periodically mopping the ramp surface with Muriatic Acid (AKA: Hydrochloric Acid) will maintain and restore the original surface characteristics of the Skatelite. Muriatic Acid is available from building supply centers and is frequently used in concrete finishing applications. **Use of an acid solution requires care and proper handling of materials. Follow manufactures guidelines for safety, materials handling, and disposal of used solution. Use an open container of mop bucket and add acid to cold water. (Never add water to the acid solution)**

#### Mixture:

Light clean: ½ cup of Muriatic Acid per 5 gallons of water. This is a good option for well-maintained or lightly used facilities with little to no wax use. This is also a good option for more frequent cleaning.

Deep clean: 1cup of Muriatic Acid per 5 gallons of water. The deep cleaning is best for older surfaces, high use facilities and facilities that allow wax on rails and ledges. **Follow manufactures guidelines for safety, materials handling, and disposal of used solution. Use an open container of mop bucket and add acid to cold water. (Never add water to the acid solution)**

#### Frequency:

For most facilities mopping with the acid solution 1-2 times per month will be sufficient