Floor Stripping Best Practices

Franklin Offense:

- Dilute in mop bucket 4 parts water 1 part offense(**a stronger mixture decreases results**)
- Use cool water-this helps keep on floor longer without evaporating
- Let sit on floor 5-10 minutes, even longer if heavily built up
- If it starts to dry, recoat with cold water to reactivate the stripper
- Product is best when used within 2 years of purchase-don't over order
- Hand held razor scrapers will be needed on heavily built up areas. Have extra blades on hand
- 3M High Pro pads are better than regular black pads. If rinsed out occasionally and before drying, they can be reused and are effective much longer
- Place an old red pad between Hi Pro pad and scrubber to improve hold and keep pad holder clean
- Do not use your automatic scrubber to strip floors
- Duct tape wheels on mop buckets and sucker to prevent the stripper from eating at the wheels and leaving black marks on the floor
- Do small sections at a time, have an area with product on the floor dwelling while you are scrubbing another area
- Floor stripping is labor intensive and finding time is always a major factor, develop a plan where you can do different sections each year

Personal Protection:

- Wear eye protection when pouring and pour with spout facing up to prevent splashing
- Wear protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin contact
- Have clean towels and water available so it can be wiped off skin if someone gets splashed
- Becomes very slippery, wear protective non slip footwear
- Scrub with feet on a previously scrubbed area. It will be less slippery
- Have a transition area with cardboard or towels where equipment and shoes can be changed or wiped clean