

TILE CLEANING

It is difficult to give a specific time scale for cleaning metal ceilings as so much depends on the environment and type of activity in the area.

In office areas a twelve-month period would generally be considered adequate. Kitchen areas, depending on the degree of exposure, may demand a three-month interval.

Generally we would not recommend cleaning perforated tiles as wiping a cloth over the surface may drag dirt and dust through the perforations from the rear face of the tile creating a bearding effect. It may be required to clean both front and back of the tiles to eliminate this problem.

METHOD OF CLEANING

The following method of cleaning is suggested: -

- 1 Add some all-purpose liquid cleaner to a bucket of hot water (Quantity as recommended by manufacturer)
- 2 Immerse clean cloth and wring out (the cloth should be damp only)
- 3 Wipe entire surface area of the tile. Do not attempt to cover large areas without continually rinsing cloth.
- 4 Wipe over with a chamois leather.

Please note that on no account should an abrasive detergent powder be used. We would recommend the use of an oily detergent e.g. 1001` Where ceilings have been left for a number of years without cleaning and have subsequently been stained by nicotine etc., it may be necessary to employ the services of a specialist ceiling cleaning company.

RE-DECORATION

Repainting of tiles is not generally recommended particularly where perforated tiles are used.

If this is undertaken air-drying oil based paint should be used. This should be applied by means of a spray gun. All surfaces should be clean prior to spraying. Emulsion paint should not be used.