SWEEPING

PURPOSE

Removes light dust and debris from surface

MATERIALS

- Broom
- Dust pan
- Garbage Bag
- Scraper or Putty Knife
- Gloves

CLEANING SMARTLY

- Use the right broom for the surface being cleaned
- Use in conjunction with dust mopping for best results
- Best method for small areas and areas with a lot of obstacles where difficult to dust mop

TECHNIQUE

- Begin at back or furthest spot of area of being cleaned, along wall if available
- Hold broom with dominant hand on top of handle and other hand on middle of handle or as comfortable for you
- Angle broom against wall or starting edge, and gently pull broom parallel, stopping when broom is straight
- Take a step and repeat (direction will be determined by area being cleaned. Swept dirt should be collecting together into one spot)
- Work bristles of broom into corners and along baseboards to loosen accumulated dirt
- Sweep debris together into collection area, sweeping together into a pile
- Sweep up collected debris with dust pan
- Empty dust pan into garbage bag or bin
- Remove any gum or adhesive material with scraper or putty knife

Tips:

- Don't bump furniture with broom or handle
- Pay attention to spots where dirt has collected (use landmarks or choose a central area)

SAFETY

- Don't overextend or overreach
- Bend knees
- Stay alert to your surroundings

RESULT

Clear floor, free of large, loose visible dirt and debris



Building Value...Cleaning Smartly

SWEEPING PROCEDURE

Get Ready

Inspect the floor
Assemble materials
Put on Personal Protective
Equipment



Sweep Floor

Sweep complete area, including edges and corners

Sweep up collected debris
Assess results



After

Clean off broom bristles and hang (bristles away from wall)

Rinse dust pan



End Result

Floor free of large, loose debris

