



## **CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE MANUAL**

The Advantage One Tactile Detectable Warning Dome/Bar is unique in its visual and tactile properties and requires a slight variation in cleaning procedures. Due to the undulation and texture of the surface, it is necessary to reach the grime that rests on the low parts of the tactile surface. Standard wet mopping will not be completely effective in cleaning these textured surfaces. A major benefit of the stainless steel tactile is that the composition is virtually non-porous, and prevents liquids, dust and grime seeping into the body of the dome/bar. The use of general purpose commercial floor cleaners or machine bristle scrubbing will not harm Advantage One Tactile. However, as these cleaning practices may weaken or dissolve the adjacent floor finish, careful attention must be paid to the selection and application of the cleaning solution. It is advisable to check with the manufacturer of the cleaning solution in order to be certain that the product intended to be used will not harm the Advantage One Tactile tile, grout, or the adjacent floor finish in any way.

### **Regular Maintenance**

Many neutral general purpose cleaners are effective for the regular maintenance and cleaning of Advantage One Tactile. It is important that the cleaner to be used has a non-oil, non-animal fat, non-soap base. Cleaners with these bases may cause problems due to oil-residues which tend to trap dirt in the cleaning process.

Please remember to treat any cleaning product you wish to use on a small, out of the way test area of the tactile surface and adjacent floor area before applying it to the entire Advantage One Tactile surface. This will ensure that it performs as desired, not only on the Advantage One Tactile surface but also on the adjacent floor finish, thus avoiding unexpected problems.

### **Avoid Surface Coatings**

Advantage One Tactile does not require the use of sealants or waxes. Adding surface coatings increases the number of unnecessary steps in maintenance procedures without improving either the appearance of the tile, or the resistance to dirt build-up. In fact, using a surface coating turns a low maintenance polymer coated stainless steel tile into a high maintenance product.

In addition, surface coatings will actually diminish the unique performance characteristics that make Advantage One Tactile exceptional among tactile tiles. Such surface coatings create a thin barrier that may modify the skid resistance and visibility properties, thereby reducing an important safety feature of the flooring

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