

Choosing the right wet mop

Spend a little time reading this page. You might discover you're using the wrong mop or you're working way too hard with a mop not optimal for the cleaning task.



DURABILITY

A mop's durability depends on its quality, type of yarn and ability to be laundered many times without degrading performance.

Mops made from a synthetic blend, microfibre or antimicrobial yarn have the greatest durability and highest initial cost. In most cases, they also represent the best value if they are laundered and dried out between uses.

Construction also plays a big part. Look for an all mesh, fast drying synthetic headband, looped-ends, and tailband tape to prevent tangles in the laundry.



ABSORBENCY

The ability for a mop to pick up liquids and hold them is a measure of absorbency. This characteristic is an important performance measure because it means the floor will dry faster.

Mops made from cotton have the best absorbency. Be aware: new cotton mops require conditioning prior to use by placing them in a bucket of cold water for six hours. Our mops of blended cotton and synthetic (Tuffstuff®) are a wise choice for high-traffic areas. If you are looking for an extremely absorbent mop Sorb-X will be the right option.



RELEASE

Release is the measure of how quickly the yarn releases liquid to the floor. Higher levels of release mean the mop can be wrung more completely. It also means liquids that are supposed to stay on the floor, such as germicides and finishes, stay on the floor.

For general mopping, release is not the most important characteristic.

Our nylon and rayon mops are used for applying finishes. Because the yarns have closed membranes, very little liquid is absorbed. The fibre remains strong with no lint-off because of the homogeneous nature of the material.



PERFORMANCE

We rate general performance by examining how much the mop is capable of picking up in an application and how long the mop is expected to last.

We believe our Microloop™, Tuffstuff® and Bacstop™ (antimicrobial) mops all offer the best performance under general mopping conditions.

Atlas Graham Furgale has many speciality wet mops for all challenging floor surfaces such as rough-cut slate. This rough-surface requires a specially designed mop.

A mop for every condition, every budget

Atlas Graham Furgale offers a range of launderable and semi-disposable mops so customer can determine how they see value when evaluating their environmental conditions.

SIGNATURE MOPS

- Microloop™
- Tuffstuff®
- Bacstop™

- Best yarns.
- Best construction.
- Best launderability.
- Best durability.
- Best performance.

All our signature mops are designed for general purpose mopping. Premium materials and construction such as looped-ends, tailbands and mesh headbands lead to a service life of 75 to 200 uses when laundered.

CORE MOPS

- Janiloop™
- Medipro™
- Terralite™

- Standard yarns.
- Standard construction.
- Standard launderability.
- Standard durability.
- Standard performance.

Our core mops were developed for general purpose mopping. Materials and construction such as looped-ends, tailbands and mesh headbands lead to a service life of 25 to 100 uses when laundered.

VALUE-CONSCIOUS MOPS SPECIALTY MOPS

- Ecooop™
- Cotton
- Rayon

Most of these mops are designed to be semi-disposable. With proper rinsing and by hanging to dry between uses, they offer good durability when used occasionally. However, because most of these mops have cut-ends, they are not considered launderable. Any mop made with cotton will also have to be conditioned prior to use by placing the mop in a bucket of cold water for six hours. After this break-in period, cotton performs well for general mopping.

- Sorb-X
- Floor Finishing

Use these mops for specialized surfaces or applications. Floor finishing requires a 100% synthetic fibre such as nylon with a closed membrane. For hazmat (hazardous material response), we suggest our super absorbent Sorb-X disposable mop.