



WORKPLACE HYGIENE AND CLEANING

The Italian law D.lgs. 81/08 about the Work Safety contains a section about the hygiene and cleanliness in the workplace. In particular, the article n. 64 considers as an obligation of the employer that “workplaces, plant and equipment must be regularly cleaned to guarantee proper hygienic conditions”. It follows, therefore an high expenditure of energy and resources in cleaning not only the workplaces but also the tools. About the workplaces requirements, annex IV considers that “In the places where usually there are spills on the floor of putrescible substances or liquids, the floor must have a cohesive and waterproof surface, with a slope suitable to direct the liquids to the collection points and exhaust ducts”. Dirt, soil and oily substances can make difficult the proper cleaning of the workplaces, equipment and tools. In the same way, a not completely waterproof surface can reduce the sliding degree of putrescible substances or liquids in general.