

Microfiber vs Traditional Mops

Microfiber flat mops use less chemicals and less water and are lighter to use (less injuries to workers).

Microfiber mops last longer than cotton mops (less impact on the environment), and color-coding the mops promotes the reduction of cross-contamination. Cotton string mops should be used as little as possible. They are linting products, require a break in period to disperse the cotton seed oil, and are made of organic fibers therefore can harbor odors and bacteria. Cotton mops should be used in disposable settings or whenever a task requires a low-cost mop. Microfiber mops are constructed with 100% continuous filament woven fabrics for lint-free application. They increase the surface friction for superior cleaning compared to traditional mops.

Microfiber flat mops can clean corners much more efficient than cotton mops. A flat mop should be used where cross-contamination is a concern, i.e. hospital patient rooms, restrooms, and other areas germs are in a concentrated area and control should be a priority.

Microfiber string or tube mops should be used where the benefits of microfiber are preferred, but cross-contamination is not an issue. Microfiber string mops are good for spill control and cleaners who like spill mops for general cleaning. Also, the microfiber string or tube mops will be more efficient for common areas where flat mops that only cover 200 to 400 square foot per pad is not timely or feasible.