How to Clean Up Colour Powder: A Practical Guide COCOURS



Immediate Cleanup: Act Fast in High-Use Areas

- Start promptly: Once the event is over and the powder has settled, begin sweeping up concentrated areas right away.
- Use the right tools: A broom, dustpan and brush, or an industrial vacuum cleaner are all effective. Sweep slowly to avoid dispersing powder back into the air.
- **Disposal**: Collected powder should be placed in general waste.

Limit Indoor Mess: Prep and Prevent

- No re-entry after the event: Avoid letting participants into buildings post-event to prevent tracking powder indoors.
- Set up a "Shake-It" station: Encourage guests to dust off excess powder from their clothes, shoes, and hair outside.
- Car protection tip: Suggest covering car seats with bin bags or towels to protect upholstery on the journey home.

Stain Control: Gentle Scrubbing Where Needed

- Check for stains: Inspect floors, pavements, and other surfaces for excessive staining.
- Clean carefully: Use a sponge and warm soapy water to gently scrub - avoid excessive water and harsh scrubbing, which can set the stain deeper.
- Jet wash if needed: For persistent stains on hard surfaces like paving, use a pressure washer with care.

Natural Cleanup: Let Nature Help

- Outdoor spaces: Colour powder is biodegradable. After the bulk has been cleared, any leftover powder will break down naturally.
- Weather effects: Wind and rain will gradually remove remaining traces over a few weeks.
- Best practice: For easier cleanup, host colour events on grass or open fields, avoiding gravel or decorative paving if possible.



