

No. 419-420 Tile-Top

COMPLIANCE

Our Anti-microbial Additive

Anti-microbial is a generic term referring to a substance or treatment that inhibits the growth of microorganisms including, but not limited to, bacteria and fungi.

Tile-Top SpongeCote AM and UltraSoft Tile-Top AM are **100% anti-microbial** because they pass the most rigorous resistance test available - the **ASTM test used by NSF to determine Resistance to Microorganisms**. The NSF specifies "Supplemental flooring materials shall be resistant to microbial action and shall not contribute to or support survival or growth of microorganisms when tested in accordance with ASTM G21-96 (2002)". This rigorous test exposes each sample of the mat compound to Aspergillus niger ATCC3 9642, Penicillium pinophilum ATCC 11797, Chaetomium globosum ATCC 9645, Gliocladium virens ATCC 9645, and Aureobasidium pullulans ATCC 15233. To test the possibility of growth, the samples are exposed to these organisms and then incubated at 82 to 86 degrees F and 85% humidity for 28 days.

In order for the compound to **pass NSF** with a **Rating I**, there cannot be more than traces of growth on the samples.

Tile-Top SpongeCote AM and UltraSoft Tile-Top AM are also permanently anti-microbial because the additive is mixed in the surface and in the sponge, making it an integral part of the mats.

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