

## Instructions for Burnishing a Concrete Floor Treated with The Ashford Formula

**Note 1:** If the surface is not relatively smooth, it may be advantageous to sand the surface prior to burnishing. This is best accomplished with a 60-grit screen or sand paper.

<u>Note 2:</u> It is necessary that the Ashford Formula treatment be applied adequately if the sheen is to come up. Therefore, if the floor does not shine when polished/burnished, the floor may need to have a standard treatment of Ashford Formula applied, (per manufacturers instructions included with the material).

**Note 3:** The concrete surface should be at least 28 days old before using these procedures.

- Step 1 Use high-speed propane burnishing equipped with an abrasive "™3M <u>Black</u>" stripping pad.
- Step 2 "Buff" the surface by working the machine side to side and back so as to create a wax-like sheen.
- Step 3 Repeat step 2 utilizing a "TM3M Red" pad to increase the intensity of the sheen.

**Note 4:** Propane driven models with an RPM of 2000-3500 work best. A standard 175-rpm buffer will take more polishing and/or buffing to create the desired sheen. In addition, the propane models have the weight of the motor, and therefore pressure, directly over the head of the machine. An electrically driven machine does not have enough pressure, regardless of the equipment's RPM.