



Radisson Blu Hotel, Bristol



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ALTRO PROVIDES WATERTIGHT SOLUTION AT BRISTOL RADISSON BLU

Altro Stronghold™, AltroProof Solo™, AltroFix™ 19 Plus

The busy kitchen at the Radisson Blu Hotel in Bristol is seeing a boost in efficiency, thanks to the installation of brand new Altro safety flooring.

Opened in 2009, the four star Radisson Blu is a 17-storey building with 176 bedrooms. The kitchen is a hive of activity which, between 5.30am and midnight, has to meet the demands of breakfast, bar meals, lunch and dinner in the hotel's popular Filini restaurant, plus room service. On average it serves around 300 meals every day.

The existing kitchen floor in the hotel was split at the seams and this was causing water to leak through into the floors below. Altro Stronghold 30 safety flooring was chosen as the ideal replacement. The product is frequently specified for commercial kitchens because it's designed for use in wet and greasy conditions where spillages are likely.

Altro Stronghold 30 has Altro's highest rating for slip resistance in areas of heavy traffic. It also offers long-term durability and ease of cleaning whilst its 3mm thickness provides added noise reduction, comfort and strength underfoot. In addition, the flooring incorporates a bacteriostat to inhibit the growth of bacteria, making it ideal for areas where hygiene is paramount.

The flooring was installed by N&S Flooring over a two-week period, while the kitchen remained in full use. "The Radisson Blu kitchen is very busy so we had to work around them, but it all went very smoothly," explained Nathan Sims, N&S Flooring Co-Director. Moisture had been a big problem with the existing flooring, so to ensure that this wouldn't be an issue with the new flooring, N&S prepared the ground with AltroProof Solo™. This is a one coat damp-proof membrane that provides a vapour barrier and offers protection in up to 97% relative humidity.

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N&S used AltroFix™ 19 Plus to lay down the 235m² of Altro Stronghold 30. This is a solvent and water-free two-part polyurethane adhesive that, once cured, is not affected by spillages of water and most other liquids. As Nathan Sims explained, "Using AltroProof and AltroFix 19 Plus together ensures that the flooring will be water tight for many years to come."

Radisson Blu site Manger Christopher Peach is delighted with the result. "The floor is great. It looks good, is easy to clean and waterproof. It does exactly what it needs to do in a kitchen; it's hygienic and safe," he said.

"Laying the floor was a painless process and N&S Flooring made a great job of working around us. It went down easily and the result is excellent. I had my reservations about laying the floor while the kitchen was in operation and I knew the limitations we could have faced. But the team had the old floor up and the new one down and sealed in a very short space of time.

"The new flooring has now been in place for three months and is still looking good. It's hard wearing and feels right. We are very happy with it and we're now looking at using the flooring in some other back of house areas."

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