

CARE & MAINTENANCE

Your *FLEXITEC* cushioned vinyl flooring will provide years of carefree use. You will find that it is not only beautiful, but durable. It is also much easier to maintain than most other flooring products because of the tough protective finish and moisture resistance.

It only takes a few simple care and maintenance steps to keep your floor looking new for years to come.

To keep your floor clean and beautiful:

- Sweep the floor with a soft bristle broom to remove loose dirt.
- Wash the floor with a non-abrasive floor cleaner.
- For everyday maintenance, a mop moistened with warm water will suffice.
- Do not use soap based detergents.
- Do not use abrasive or mop and shine products.
- Do not wax the floor.
- Do not use ammonia or bleaches.
- Do not use a vacuum cleaner with a rotating beater bar.
- Do not use a steam mop.
- Make sure furniture legs have large surface, non-staining floor protectors. Replace small, narrow metal or dome-shaped glides with smooth, flat glides that are in flat contact with the floor.
- Heavy furniture or appliances that are not moved often should be equipped with flat, non-staining composition furniture casters or cups of appropriate size.

Always read the cautionary information on all cleaners prior to use.

IMPORTANT: NEVER push, pull or drag heavy furniture or other items across the floor. When moving furniture or heavy items, always lift and carry the items, if possible. Otherwise, use furniture sliders available at most hardware, home improvement and discount stores.



HOW TO TREAT STAINS, SPILLS AND SCUFFS

Follow the remedies in order. Unless instructed otherwise, use a clean, **white** cloth or towel with the recommended liquids. Always rinse the affected area with clean water after treatment.

Stains and Spills

- Acids, alkalis
- Blood
- Catsup, Mustard
- Cleaners, Strong Soaps
- Dye, Dye Markings
- Food, Candy
- Fruit and Fruit Juices
- Grass
- Iodine, Mercurochrome
- Rust
- Urine, Excrement

Remedy

- Scrub area with a vinyl cleaner full strength
- Rub the area with a 10 to 1 dilution of water to liquid bleach
- Rub the area with isopropyl alcohol
- If rust stain does not respond, use lemon juice or a cream of tartar solution

Paint and Solvent Spills

- Dry Cleaning Fluids
- Lacquer
- Latex Paint
- Nail Polish
- Solvents
- Oil-Based Paints
- Wood Stains
- Varnish

Remedy

- If substance is dry, gently peel it from the floor.
(Avoid sharp instruments that could scratch the floor.)
- Scrub area with non-abrasive cleaner suitable for vinyl flooring
- Rub lightly with odorless mineral spirits or paint thinner

Substances that won't wipe up

- Adhesives
- Asphalt
- Chewing Gum
- Oil
- Grease
- Candle Wax
- Tar

Remedy

- Carefully remove excess with a dull kitchen knife or fingernail
- Scrub area with non-abrasive cleaner suitable for vinyl flooring
- Rub lightly with odorless mineral spirits, isopropyl alcohol or lighter fluid

Scuffs and Smudges

- Rubber Heel Marks
- Shoe Polish
- Scuffs
- Smudges

Remedy

- Rub the scuff with fingertip, rubber will come right off (friction from the rubbing will remove rubber)
- Scrub area with non-abrasive cleaner suitable for vinyl flooring
- Rub lightly with isopropyl alcohol or lighter fluid



Note: Most grocery stores, discount stores, mass merchandisers and home centers carry cleaners suitable for vinyl flooring.

Caution: Isopropyl alcohol, lighter fluid, odorless mineral spirits and paint thinner are flammable solvents. Carefully read and follow cautionary information on label. Keep traffic off treated area for 30 minutes.