

## Care Recommendation

Modern day-room cleaning aims to reduce wet cleaning procedures and replace them with drier cleaning techniques. For example, the use of centrally laundered pre-impregnated mops and the wide application of appropriate machines. This makes work more effective and easier for the cleaning staff, and minimizes environmental impact. Less cleaning chemicals and less fresh water are used.

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### General advice

- Clean the floorcovering regularly, as this is more cost-effective and hygienic than occasional heavy-duty cleaning.
- Remove immediately sand from the surface as it will have an abrasive effect on the surface of the flooring
- Always follow dosage instructions carefully.
- Wipe up any grease and spilt oil immediately, as they may damage the surface.
- Resilient floors are damaged by solvents.
- A prolonged contact with Black rubber wheels and rubber feet can discolour the floorcovering.
- Furniture should be fitted with soft pads. The feet of the chairs must be not abrasive or have sharp edges and has to be covered with soft or polyurethane pads and they must be regularly cleaned, checked and replaced.
- Chair castors of type "W" must be used in accordance with EN 12529.
- The slipperiness of the floor covering is affected by the quantity of dirt and by the frequency and the materials used for cleaning. Safety and Hygiene issues can arise if the cleaning activity is reduced.
- Remember that light colours need more frequent cleaning.
- Always use detergents with pH < 9.

### Initial site cleaning

Always protect the floor with thick paper or hardboard sheeting during the construction period. Select with the tape manufacturer a suitable adhesive tape for Linoleum.

After installation, we recommend an initial site clean: vacuum, sweep or damp mop the area to remove building dust and loose dirt. A combined scrubber/dryer with brushes or red pads cleans large areas very effectively. Use a neutral or alcohol based cleaning agents. Factory applied Essenza finish must not be removed.

## NO INITIAL TREATMENT IS NECESSARY\*

### Preventive care



#### Entrance matting

About 80% of surface soiling that has to be cleaned off is brought in from outside. And 90% of that soiling can be avoided using an effective and correctly dimensioned entrance mat. The less dirt that comes in through the entrance, the lower the maintenance requirements.

### Daily and regular cleaning



#### Dry mopping / Sweeping

Remove dust and dirt with yarn or microfiber mops, or disposable mops, dry or impregnated.

OR



#### Vacuum cleaning

To remove dust and loose dirt. Recommended for large areas and initial site clean.



#### Damp mopping

Use a mop dampened with water or detergent solution. It is essential that water does not stay on the floor or leave a film. The floor should be virtually dry after 15-20 seconds.

OR



#### Combined machine (for large areas)

Use diluted neutral detergent. Speed low 150-250 rpm or higher. Red pads are usually most suitable.

Regular polishing seals the surface and improves the durability of the floor covering.

If the floor covering is coated, the routine maintenance have to be selected according to the type of coating used.

### IF NECESSARY



#### Spray cleaning (for heavily soiled areas) – only for rolls

With a spray equipment apply sufficient solution of water and detergent to initially leave a very thin film of water on the floor covering. After this has taken effect (10 min), even stubborn dirt will have been detached and can be removed with the mop rinsed in the water and wrung out.

*If you have any questions, please contact your local Tarkett representative for further information. The above information is subject to change due to continuous improvement.*

## **\*Maintenance**

### **Please note:**

Sharp edged /not maintained furniture feet, sand, pebbles, permanent push and drive movements on the same area will damage every kind of flooring over the time.

To give an additional protection, a maintenance coating or a polymer dispersion can be applied to avoid an early wear. The suitability of the maintenance coating must be agreed with its manufacturer.

### **Protective film application**

A thorough cleaning has to be carried out after application of a deep cleaner with a pH<9 using a low speed single disk machine or combined machine (green pads are usually most suitable).

Twice-applied polymer dispersion following the manufacturer instructions.

### **Protective film restoration**

Buffing of the surface to homogenize gloss.

Remove dust and thorough cleaning if necessary.

Application of the protective film.

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