

## LOOSELAY VINYL PLANK & TILES

It is necessary that proper steps are taken to prevent excessive dirt and moisture being tracked on the floor from entrances. This can be achieved by using matting system to remove all dirt from the bottom of shoes.

Carpet or mats with rubber backings should not be placed on vinyl tile because of the chemical reaction that may cause the tile to yellow.

### Regular Cleaning

Daily dust mopping is recommended to remove dirt. It may also be necessary to clean the tile by using a damp mop or auto scrubber. If cleaning with a damp mop, you should use a neutral pH cleaner. When using an auto scrubber, the Red 3M pad is recommended.

### Protection

Avoid exposure to direct sunlight for prolonged period. During peak sunlight hours, the use of the blinds or curtains is recommended. Prolonged direct sunlight can result in discoloration and excessive temperature might cause tile expansion.

Protect your floors against burns from glowing ends of cigarettes and matches.

Never slide heavy furniture or fittings over an unprotected floor or severe scratching may result. The floor should be protected from the wheels or feet of fittings, avoiding rubber products, which may stain.

Furniture polish and window cleaning agents should be applied to a cloth to avoid spillage onto the floor. Contact with some agents, such as silicone, will make the floor surface extremely slippery, which may result in accidents.

### The following substances can cause discolouration

1. Tar
2. Nail Polish
3. Varnish
4. Spices
5. Shoe Polish
6. Paints containing acetone
7. Lipstick
8. Solvent-based paints
9. Rubber Mats
10. Coco-Fibre Mats
11. Asphalt
12. Permanent Marker Pens
13. Crayons

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## Removing discolouration

1. Wipe immediately with a paper towel or cloth.
2. Spots which have already dried might be removed using a plastic scraper.
3. The area should then be washed with diluted cleaning agent using a damp cloth or sponge.
4. Obstinate spots might be removed with a firm nylon sponge.
5. Should the spot still remain, moisten a cloth with clear odourless mineral spirits and rub with circular movements over the whole area. Always test in an inconspicuous area to check for compatibility of the mineral spirits and flooring.

Note: Only use mineral spirits in well-ventilated rooms.

## Points to note

1. Always use clean equipment – dirty equipment only redistributes the dirt.
2. Do not mix cleaning products from different manufacturers – they may not be compatible.
3. Always remove any spillage immediately.
4. Always remove excess water.
5. Always take precautions to prevent dark rubber from coming into contact with the floor.
6. Never deviate from the manufacturer's recommended dilution rates.
7. Wet floors are slippery; always use warning signs to advise that cleaning is in progress.

For further advice, please contact our technical department, who will be happy to advise on the correct methods to use and can help you put together an effective cleaning programme.

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