

Waterproof Laminate Flooring – Care & Maintenance Guidelines

Your waterproof laminate floor is designed to offer long-lasting beauty and performance. To keep it looking its best, follow these simple care and maintenance tips.

General Care:

- **Place Doormats at Entrances.**

Use high-quality, non-staining doormats outside all exterior doors to reduce the amount of dirt, grit, moisture, and other debris tracked onto your floors. Avoid rubber-backed, latex-backed, or coco fiber mats, as they may stain or react with the floor's surface.

- **Protect from Sunlight.**

Prolonged exposure to direct sunlight can fade or discolor flooring. Use curtains or blinds in areas with intense sun exposure.

- **Use Proper Furniture Protectors.**

Equip furniture with wide-bearing, non-staining floor protectors. We recommend protectors that are at least 1 inch in diameter, made of non-pigmented hard plastic or felt, and that sit flat on the floor. Ensure casters are at least ¾" wide. Avoid narrow metal domes or any furniture feet that may dent or scratch the floor.

- **Moving Heavy Items.**

When moving furniture or appliances, always use protective sheets of plywood or hardboard runways to prevent surface damage. This applies even if the items are on wheels or dollies.

Cleaning & Maintenance:

- **Regular Cleaning.**

Sweep or vacuum (using a hard-floor attachment) your floor regularly to remove dust and debris that can cause scratches. Aim for at least once per week.

- **Spills & Moisture.**

Although your floor is waterproof, it's still good practice to clean up spills as soon as possible to prevent slipping and maintain cleanliness.

- **Mopping.**

Damp mop the floor occasionally when needed. Use a solution of warm water and a neutral pH cleaner specifically formulated for laminate or waterproof floors. Avoid overly wet mops or steam mops, which can force moisture into joints over time.

- **Avoid Harsh Cleaners.**

Do not use soap-based detergents, abrasive cleaners, wax, or polish. These can leave a film or damage the wear layer. Ammonia or vinegar-based solutions may also dull the finish and should be avoided unless recommended by the flooring manufacturer.