



New Forest Range

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Inspired Floorcoverings have designed a vinyl flooring to withstand high-traffic commercial environments, however without regular maintenance, the appearance of the vinyl will begin to be affected, thereby reducing its lifespan.

Vinyl Planks Care: Keeping Them Clean and Lasting Longer

New Forest Range vinyl planks are hardwearing and easy to clean and maintain. This range has a polyurethane surface treatment that protects the floor covering by resisting scuffs and scratches. This protective layer aids in maintaining the floor finish and supports an ongoing maintenance plan.

A regular maintenance plan will help keep the appearance of this floor looking its best. Without regular maintenance, standards of appearance, hygiene, and cleanliness, as well as the lifespan of the floor covering, will be compromised.

Cleaning After Installation

- Avoid walking on your new floor until the adhesive has dried, typically 24–48 hours after installation is completed.
- Remove all loose debris from the floor using a vacuum, brush, or dust mop.
- Ensure that all dried excess adhesive is removed from the surface.
- Remove all contamination and residue from the installation using a neutral cleaner.
- The surface can be polished if desired with a single-disc machine (at least 400-600 rpm) using a white polished pad, or in the case of strongly structured surface, by means of a soft brush.

Prevention Measures

- Attention should be paid to minimising the amount of dirt and water that can enter the building. To help with this, we recommend installing moisture and scraper matting in all entrance areas.
- Avoid sliding or dragging furniture or other objects across the floor. Use floor protector pads under furniture legs, available from your local hardware store.
- Please do not use cleaning products that contain bleach or other household chemicals that could damage your floor.
- Mop up all spillages as soon as possible to reduce the risk of staining.

Routine Maintenance Plan

- Mop, sweep, and vacuum the floor daily to remove dust and loose dirt. Remove stubborn marks with a neutral cleaner. Dry buff with a single-disc machine and white pad, if required.
- Mop the floor covering using a neutral detergent.
- Polish the floor using a rotary machine (at least 400–600 rpm) and clean the floor with a neutral spray cleaning product. This will help protect the floor covering and improve the overall appearance of the floor. Use a clean, soft white pad.

From Time to Time

When routine maintenance no longer produces satisfactory results, it may be necessary to strip back the polish on the floor. The frequency of this process is determined by the amount of foot traffic the floor receives. For instance, a supermarket will require a more rigorous maintenance programme compared to a retail clothing store. Stripping the floor should be carried out by a professional cleaning company. They will need to apply an emulsion polish stripper to the floor and then scrub it using a mono-pad rotary machine. The colour of the pad used on the machine is determined by the level of soil build-up. Once the floor has been stripped of the existing polish, it should be neutralised using a pH-neutral cleaner. New polish can then be applied once the floor is dry.