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Laminate

It's Nice to Look Amazing with So Little Effort.

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Tarkett Laminate floors are easy to clean and maintain. For day-to-day maintenance, all you need is a damp mop. For tougher cleanups, we suggest Tarkett SureShine® cleaning solution.

Following are some simple steps that'll help keep your Tarkett Laminate floor looking great:

- Vacuum or sweep up installation debris immediately after installation, beater bars turned off if vacuuming.
- Use proper rests, glides or casters (preferably wide, smooth, nonstaining, protective load-bearing devices) under furniture to avoid scratches or indentation from frequent movement.

CAUTION: Casters on portable appliances, dishwashers and microwave carts can cause damage to laminate floors. Use extreme caution when moving these items around on any laminate floor.

- Choose nonstaining mats or area rugs in doorways and entranceways to trap excessive moisture, sand, grit and debris.
- Avoid using rubber-backed mats or rugs.
- Sweep or vacuum regularly to remove loose debris as needed.
- For regular cleaning, dilute a neutral base cleaner, i.e., Tarkett SureShine, in warm water, wring out the mop or sponge until damp and mop. Never apply cleaner/water solution directly to the floor.
- Don't use soap- or oil-based cleaning products, i.e., liquid dish cleaners or pine cleaners.
- Don't use abrasive cleaners or pads, i.e., cleanser or nylon pads.
- Don't use protective coating on your laminate floor, for example, wax, polish or urethane coating.
- For tough stains and spills, wipe up promptly with a damp cloth.

Note: As with any floor, immediate attention to stain removal is of the utmost importance.

How to remove scuffs and stains, if they occur:

- Scuffs and surface marks (rubber heel marks): Apply fantastik® or Direct® multipurpose cleaners directly to stain, let stand for 10-15 seconds and rub with a clean, damp cloth. Some marks may require a small amount of mineral spirits* applied on a clean cloth.
- Tough household stains (acid, alkali, blood, ketchup, mustard, food dye, fruit juice, rust, urine, excrement): Mix a neutral cleaner with water and apply with a clean cloth, gently rubbing into the stain. You can also treat stubborn stains by mixing a one-to-one concentration of water to liquid bleach, saturating a cloth with that solution, and treating the stain for up to a maximum of one hour. Rinse with clean water applied with a clean, damp cloth.
- Solvent paints and stains (hair dye, iodine, Mercurochrome, nail polish, oil-based paints, wood stains): Remove excess immediately, rub lightly with a clean white cloth soaked in mineral spirits.*
- Miscellaneous stains (adhesives, asphalt, candle wax, grease, oil, tar): Carefully scrape residue with a putty knife, being careful not to scratch the floor. Rub lightly with a cloth soaked in mineral spirits,* then use isopropyl alcohol* on a clean cloth.

***CAUTION:** Mineral spirits and alcohol are flammable solvents. Please follow cautions on container.

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