



## SPC / Vinyl Floor Care & Cleaning

With the recent innovations in vinyl flooring color and finishes, maintaining the cleanliness of your vinyl floors has become exceptionally easy. Follow these steps to effortlessly reduce maintenance and safeguard the beauty of your vinyl floors. Regular care involves a straightforward sweep with a soft bristle broom, particularly if your floor includes a beveled edge that could accumulate debris.

### **Best Practice:**

- Safeguard your Serenity Floor by using non-staining felt floor protectors under furniture legs, minimizing the risk of scuffing and scratching. Remember, larger pads may be necessary for substantial objects, and scratching due to insufficient protection is not covered by the warranty.
- Position an area rug strategically in front of the kitchen sink, ensuring that kitchen and bath area rugs with non-slip rubberized backing are non-staining.
- Swiftly address spills to prevent potential damage.
- Enhance protection by placing area rugs inside and outside doorways, preventing the introduction of grit, dirt, and debris onto your floor. Use a breathable rug pad beneath all throw rugs to prevent scratching.
- Prior to widespread use, always conduct a spot test in an inconspicuous area.
- Preserve the luster of your floors with routine application of a professional vinyl floor cleanser. Serenity Floor recommends selecting a P/H Neutral option such as Bona®.
- Address areas with moderate soil using a gentle blend of isopropyl (rubbing) alcohol and distilled water, mixing one part alcohol with two parts distilled water. For more stubborn stains, increase the concentration of isopropyl alcohol and distilled water. Denatured alcohol is effective for eliminating adhesive and oil-based stains.

### **Avoid:**

- Avoid using cleaning agents containing wax, oil, or polish, as any residual residue may result in a dull film on the floor's surface.
- Avoid employing wood care floor cleaning products on vinyl floors, as self-polishing acrylic waxes can create a slippery surface and cause a rapid loss of shine.
- Avoid using vinegar as a cleaning solution, as its acidic properties can harm the finish of the floor.



- Avoid wet-mopping the floor, as standing water has the potential to dull the finish, inflict damage, and leave a discolored residue.
- Avoid using any kind of steam mop, as damages associated with their use will void warranty coverage.
- Avoid walking on vinyl floors with cleats, sports shoes, or high heels, as the impact of high heels can be substantial, denting any floor surface.
- When relocating heavy furniture, avoid sliding it on the flooring; instead, opt to lift the furniture entirely to prevent damage to the floor.
- Avoid utilizing a high-speed buffer on the floor surface.

### **Floor Repairs:**

- For minimal, superficial scratches, consider using a staining "touch-up" pen in the matching color or an almond stick. Refer to the manufacturer's guidelines for proper application.
- Address slightly deeper scratches by employing colored putty, acrylic, and/or stains. Fill the scratches with putty, level it with a putty knife, and use a terry cloth towel to wipe off any excess.
- In the case of very deep scratches or gouges, replacement of planks may be necessary. Always follow the manufacturer's recommendations for optimal results.