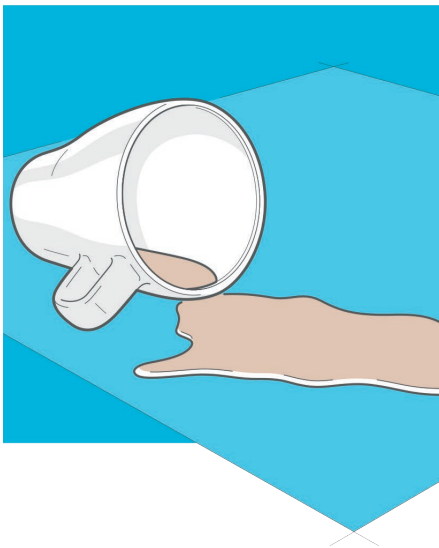


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## INTRODUCTION

Milliken Luxury Vinyl Tile is engineered for commercial use. It is simple to maintain and provides excellent stain and abrasion resistance, eliminates the need for wax, polishes and harsh chemicals. Please read these guidelines to ensure your flooring retains its appearance.

Prevention of the build-up of contaminants will not only keep your floor cleaner but will considerably reduce maintenance costs and improve indoor air quality. For further details please click on: [Entrance Flooring Solutions](#)

- Do not use excessive amounts of water, cleaners, strippers or finishes.
- Do not use metal or razor scrapers to remove dirt or marks. This will damage the protective wear layer of the LVT.
- Consult with the individual cleaning product manufacturer for guidelines.

## PROTECTING YOUR NEW FLOOR

Allow the adhesive to set before the floor is exposed to foot traffic, point loads or maintenance. Not doing so can lead to shifting tiles, adhesive oozing or permanent indentations. Please consult with the floor installer for adhesive setting times for allowing foot traffic.

- We recommend to avoid rolling traffic furniture or fixtures on the floor for 24-48 hours.

It is recommended to install floor coverings after all other finishing operations have been completed. However, if there will be construction traffic on the newly installed floor wait for the adhesive to set and protect with a breathable product is preferable.

## CLEANING INSTALLATION ADHESIVE RESIDUE

- Remove any surface adhesive while wet. Use a clean white cloth moistened with water.
- Dried adhesive can be removed by using a clean white cloth moistened with denatured alcohol.
- Do not pour water or denatured alcohol directly on the floor.
- Do not mechanically scrape.

## INITIAL MAINTENANCE

Before handing over the floor, carry out initial maintenance. Always use maintenance products that are designed for use on Luxury Vinyl Tile with urethane finish. Make sure adhesive is set after installation. Thoroughly clean the floor using a neutral pH cleaner and mop.

If necessary, use a low speed rotary buffing machine with the following criteria and specified pads only. Thoroughly wet mop without saturating the floor to remove residue and allow to dry.

## RECOMMENDED PH NEUTRAL CLEANERS

For instructions and health and safety guidelines, please contact the relevant manufacturer.

- Uzin: RZ Effective Basic Cleaner
- Prochem: Prodet
- Johnson Diversey: Taski Jontec 300
- Dr Schutz: Active Cleaner

## USE OF ROTARY FLOORING MACHINES

- Use only a slow speed (175 RPM) machine.
- Use only the following coloured pads: white, red (light soil) or blue (heavy soil)
- Do not dry buff vinyl floors without the use of a suitable finish coat.
- Do not use green black or brown scrubbing pads! Damage will occur.
- Do not use excessive amounts of water, cleaners, strippers or finishes as this can lead to adhesive failures in direct-glue applications.

## DAILY AND WEEKLY MAINTENANCE

Sweep, vacuum or dust mop the floor as needed to remove dust, loose dirt and grit.

In high traffic areas this may be a daily or twice daily procedure.

Damp mop the floor as needed to remove dirt and stains.

- Use a neutral pH cleaner and a red pad if needed to remove ground in dirt.
- Use only vacuums that do not have bristle beater bars.
- Clean liquid spills immediately to prevent the possibility of stains, slips or falls.
- Soft bristle brushes can also be used on flooring with embossed surfaces.

## PERIODIC MAINTENANCE

It is not necessary to use an after-market finish with Milliken Luxury Vinyl Tile. However, if desired, in order to further protect and prolong the wear surface or to achieve a gloss finish, follow individual cleaning product manufacturers' recommendations.

## RECOMMENDED FINISHES

For instructions for use and health and safety guidelines, please contact the relevant manufacturer.

- Uzin: RZ Turbo Protect Plus (mat sealer / floor dressing)
- Dr Schutz: Floor Mat
- Prochem: Nova Proshine
- Diversey: Carefree Emulsion

## PREVENTATIVE STEPS

Taking measures to avoid mechanical damage and limit the amount of dirt tracked onto your flooring will reduce your maintenance needs and keep your floor looking its best for longer.

Please click here for a **Quality entrance flooring system.**

Use quality entrance flooring systems at all entry areas to keep dirt, sand and water off of the floor. Clean the system on a regular basis, to maintain its efficacy.

- If any mats are used directly on top of the Milliken Luxury Vinyl Tile, ensure they have a non-staining back.

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Protect the floor from mechanical damage from furniture.

- Do not move heavy furniture, appliances or fixtures directly across the floor. Use protective boards or appropriate furniture movers designed for use over hard surface flooring.
- Furniture requires protective glides of at least 1" in diameter to minimise the chance of indentations or scratching to the surface of the floor. Do not use narrow chair glides.
- Felt pads are also excellent protection for the floor for furniture that will be frequently moved directly across the floor.
- Milliken LVT is suitable for use with castor chairs, however soft castors should be specified for use on hard flooring (hard castors are recommended for use on carpet) Alternatively use chair mats at desks to protect the floor from damage due to chair legs or casters.
- Periodically clean castor wheels and check for wheels that may be broken or no longer rotating. Replace damaged wheels immediately.

Protect the floor from direct sunlight by using appropriate window coverings.