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Flex Collection & Flex Collection II

CLEANING, MAINTENANCE & REPAIR

CLEANING

Your floor is ready for use when you buy it. After installation on your floor may need a thorough cleaning. Don't use any additional protective products and follow these simple steps:

- All vinyl floors benefit from regular maintenance; accumulated soil may lead to scratching. Sweep or vacuum daily using soft bristle attachments, vacuum cleaner with correct hard floor surface attachment -beater bars, hard plastics, floor scrubbers, jet mops, buffers or similar products must not be used. Clean up spills and excessive liquids immediately.
- Damp mop as needed and use neutral cleaners recommended for vinyl flooring. Soap, oil cleaners and restorative products must never be used. Change rinse water often and never flood the floor with water.
- The use of residential steam mops on this product is allowed. Use at lowest power with a suitable soft pad, and do not hold a steam mop on one spot for an extended period of time (longer than 5 minutes). Refer to the steam mop's manufacturer instructions for proper usage.
- Do not use abrasive cleaners, bleach, wax, high % non-diluted vinegar, acetone, or harsh chemicals to maintain the floor.
- After washing allow your floor the time to dry.

PROTECTING

- Avoid bringing dirt, sand, grit and substances such as oil or asphalt indoors by placing non-rubber backed carpets and doormats at all entrances.
- Do not use mats with a latex or rubber backing since these backings can cause permanent discoloration.
- For areas with rolling chairs (e.g. desk area) use a protective mat under the chair.
- Do not allow cigarettes, matches or other very hot items to get in contact with the floor as this may cause permanent damage.
- Do not drag or slide heavy objects across the floor. When moving appliances or heavy furniture it is always wise to lay a plywood panel, or similar, on your floor and "walk" the item across it. This protects your floor from scuffing, gouging and tears.
- Use proper floor protection devices such as non-staining felt protectors and furniture cups under. Felt pads should be timely maintained. Do not use colored floor protectors.
- Please bear in mind that pets with sharp nails can leave deep scratches on the floor, keep pet nails trimmed to minimize scratches.

STAINS

- Spots must be removed immediately using a well-wrung, slightly damp cloth. To reduce spotting, do not allow liquids to stand or remain on the surface of the flooring.
- Nail polish, tar, markers, crayon, lipstick and ink can be removed using nail polish remover or denatured alcohol. Soak a clean rag in cool water and rinse the surface completely to remove residual denatured alcohol or nail polish remover.
- For stubborn spots use low odor mineral spirits or denatured alcohol applied to a clean cloth. Never pour chemicals directly on floor.
- For chocolate, grease, juice and wine stains, use lukewarm water and a non-abrasive cleaner.
- For candle wax and chewing gum, scrape carefully with a blunt plastic scraper.
- Pet stains (including urine, feces and vomit from domestic cats or dogs) need to be cleaned within 24 hours.

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CLEANING PRODUCTS DOs AND DONTs

The products listed below are marketed as floor-cleaning solutions, but they actually work by polishing the floor's surface, changing its appearance from matte to gloss. While they can temporarily mask scratches, applying a finish over LVP (Luxury Vinyl Plank) is not a permanent solution because it creates a sacrificial layer. Each application deposits a thin wax-like film on the surface. Over time, these layers build up, causing the floor to look dull and less defined. Eventually, the accumulated finish will wear unevenly and require complete stripping, which can potentially damage the top wear layer.

DO NOT USE THESE PRODUCTS:

- Mop and Glo
- Pine-Sol
- Bona Floor Polish
- Weiman floor polish
- Rejuvenate floor polish or restorer
- Lestoil
- Murphy's Oil Soap
- ZEP floor polish
- ANY BRAND dish soap

DO USE THESE PRODUCTS:

- Denatured alcohol
- Neutral vinyl floor cleaner such as: Zep Luxury Vinyl Cleaner, Rejuvenate Luxury Vinyl Floor Cleaner, or any neutral cleaner recommended for use on vinyl flooring.
- Any product underlined in the spot removal guide below

TYPE OF SPOT	DETAILED REMOVAL PROCEDURE
Nail polish, tar, markers, crayon, lipstick, ink, hair dye	Clean the spot using a cotton pad soaked in <u>nail polish remover or denatured alcohol</u> . Soak a clean mop in lukewarm water with neutral vinyl floor cleaner, wring it and clean the surface to completely remove residue of denatured alcohol or nail polish remover. Let the surface dry.
Chocolate, grease, juice and wine stains	Soak a clean mop in lukewarm water with neutral vinyl floor cleaner, wring it and clean the affected area. Let the surface dry.
Candle wax, chewing gum	Scrape carefully with a blunt plastic scraper.
Pet stains (including urine, feces and vomit from domestic cats or dogs)	Clean with a well-wrung cloth timely within 24 hours.
Adhesive residue	Adhesive stains to be removed immediately after the accident, in order to prevent from premature wearing. In case an adhesive dried on the floor surface, Scrape it gently with a blunt plastic scraper, remove the adhesive remaining from the surface, please make sure not to scratch the surface of the floor. Soak a clean cloth or a cotton pad in denatured alcohol or nail polish remover, clean the remaining of the adhesive. Soak a clean mop in lukewarm water with neutral vinyl floor cleaner, wring it and clean the affected area. Let the surface dry.
Dried paints	Soak a clean soft cloth in <u>mineral spirits</u> , press on the stain and allow to remain for up to 10 min. Remove the compress and use a clean sponge dampened with water to apply a neutral vinyl floor cleaner to remove the mineral spirits. Soak a clean mop in lukewarm water with neutral vinyl floor cleaner, wring it and clean the affected area. Let the surface dry.
Oil based stains	Scrape and lift the stain as much as you can with a small plastic scraper or the edge of a credit card, please make sure not to scratch the surface. Sprinkle some baking soda or cornstarch on the stain. Let the <u>baking soda or cornstarch</u> sit on the stain for 20 minutes so that it helps break down the oil; Sprinkle the stained area with some water and rub it with a soft bristle brush. Wipe the area with lukewarm water, then wash the area with well-wrung, clean mop in water with neutral vinyl floor cleaner. Let the surface dry.
Minor scuffs, Marks, Scratches	Rub the surface with some <u>baby oil</u> . For very stubborn scuffs, <u>WD-40 lubricant or similar</u> is effective.

Helpful Tip: It is always advisable to apply the product on an inconspicuous area to test its safety before using it on the vinyl floor if you are not sure.

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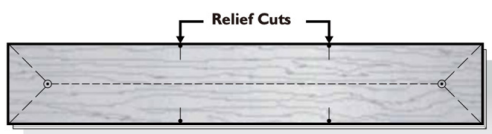
FLOORING REPAIR INSTRUCTIONS

A damaged board in the middle of the floor doesn't require disassembling the whole floor. You can fix it by cutting that single damaged board out and replacing it with a new one.

Things you'll need: pencil, straightedge, plunge saw, cutting blade for soft surfaces, chisel, utility blade/concave knife, premium vinyl adhesive (a high-grab high-shear hard-setting adhesive), weights (approximately 90lbs / 40kg).

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Mark damaged board 1-1/2" / 3.81cm from ends and sides. Drill 3/16" / 4.76mm holes in corners & at relief cuts.



2. Using a concave knife / a utility blade knife / a saw (set saw depth to board thickness) cut along lines and remove center section. Make relief cuts using drilled holes as visible stop.
3. Carefully lift and pull center length cut first, then work into corners to remove end pieces last.
4. Vacuum the area from any debris and dust.
5. Apply new adhesive to affected area if applicable to loose lay installation.
6. If some glue gets on the surface wipe it off and clean immediately following glue manufacturer's instructions.
7. Weigh the board down and allow glue to dry 48 hours before allowing traffic on the area.

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