



MAINTENANCE FOR KNOCK OUT® LUXURY VINYL GLUE DOWN PLANK

WORK CLEAN WHILE INSTALLING : Remove excess adhesive as you install planks. Any leftover traces of adhesive need to be removed before drying. Lightly dampen a clean, white cloth with mineral spirits†, and wipe over the adhesive. Always use a new, clean portion of the cloth as more adhesive is removed.

IMMEDIATELY AFTER INSTALLATION

Maintain room temperature at 65 degrees Fahrenheit for at least 48 hours after installation is completed. This assures proper curing, setting, and bonding of adhesive to the substrate and the flooring. The adhesive under your new KNOCK OUT® floor needs time to thoroughly dry after installation. Therefore we recommend that you do not scrub or wash your floor for five - 7 days after installation.

AFTER ADHESIVE CURE

Any trace of adhesive should be removed with mineral spirits as above noted. The floor should be dry vacuumed to remove all dust and loose debris. We recommend waiting after installation for 5-7 days before washing to ensure the adhesive has sufficiently dried. BONA® Stone, Tile, and Laminate Floor Cleaner is the recommended cleaning product for all Knock Out® Vinyl floors. Using a damp, well wrung out micro fiber mop, clean your vinyl floor with BONA® Stone, Tile, and Laminate Floor Cleaner in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. After 5-10 minutes, remove all dirt and residue of the cleaning agent by rinsing the floor with clean water on a damp mop. Allow floor to dry, taking care to always remove standing water. It not only can cause slip and fall hazards, but can attack the adhesive, break the bond, and cause the flooring to release from the substrate.

*****Do not use soap-based detergents, caustic cleaners or abrasive cleaners.*****

DAILY FLOOR MAINTENANCE

Light daily sweeping, dry mopping, or vacuuming prevents dirt and grit build up. Frequent light mopping with a well wrung out mop using BONA® Stone, Tile, and Laminate Floor Cleaner will prevent the floor from being heavily soiled. The amount you need to mop is dictated by the amount of daily dirt.

If the floor receives hard use and becomes extremely dirty, as in heavily used commercial installations, floor scrubbing with a 175-300 RPM floor buffer will be necessary with a red scrubbing type pad. Mop the floor with BONA® Stone, Tile, and Laminate Floor Cleaner and work the solution over the floor using the buffer and the scrubbing pad. Mop the floor with BONA® Stone, Tile, and Laminate Floor Cleaner and work the solution over the floor using the buffer and the red scrubbing pad. After this has been done, remove the dirty residue by damp mopping with a clean bucket of BONA® Stone, Tile, and Laminate Floor Cleaner following instructions on bottle. Let floor dry, you will then see a light film residue, take low speed buffer and a white polishing pad and buff until the film is removed. Please note: Do not use a buffer that is more than 300 RPM under any circumstances.

COMMERCIAL MAINTENANCE

Wash your KNOCK OUT® Vinyl floor by damp mopping or an auto-scrubbing machine with BONA® Stone, Tile, and Laminate Floor Cleaner following instructions on the bottle.

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PREVENTIVE MEASURES & TIPS ON CARE

The easiest way to reduce maintenance cost is to reduce the amount of dirt, grit, and moisture brought into your building with an effective barrier mat. The mat should be as wide as the doorway and thick enough to trap dirt. The mat should be cleaned regularly. The use of either rubber-backed mats, latex backed mats, or coco-fiber mats is not acceptable since they are known to cause stains on vinyl floors. Instead, use vinyl mats or rugs labeled "colorfast". Never slide heavy furniture or fittings over an unprotected floor or severe scratching may result. Lay a plywood panel on your floor and "walk" the item across it. This protects your floor from scuffing and tearing.

Use Felt Protectors on furniture to reduce indentation. Avoid rubber/latex products, which may stain. As a general rule of thumb, the heavier the item, the wider the floor protector needed. Be careful with rolling casters. They can permanently damage the floor. Therefore, we do not recommend them. If you choose to use them, the double wheel type are the best option. The floor should be protected from the wheels or feet of fittings.

†*****NOTE: ONLY USE MINERAL SPIRITS/SOLVENTS IN WELL-VENTILATED ROOMS.*****



SUBSTANCES TO AVOID	FOR ANY OF THESE SUBSTANCES, PERFORM THE FOLLOWING:
1. Tar	Wipe immediately with a paper towel or cloth. Spots which have
2. Nail Polish	already dried may be removed using a plastic scraper or credit card.
3. Varnish	Wash the area with diluted vinyl floor cleaner using a damp cloth or
4. Spices	well wrung out sponge. Tough spots/scuff marks might be removed
5. Shoe Polish	with careful use of a heavy duty nylon sponge. Should the spot still
6. Paints containing Acetone	remain, moisten a dry cloth with clear odorless Mineral Spirits†
7. Lipstick	and rub with a circular motion over entire area. Always test an
8. Solvent-based Paints	inconspicuous area before to check the Mineral Spirits† and flooring
9. Rubber/ Latex Mats	for compatibility. For extreme stains (paints, marker,) try using a
10. Coco Fiber Mats	cotton ball dampened with fingernail polish remover containing
11. Asphalt	acetone(not straight acetone). Rinse area with plain water on a well
12. Permanent Markers	wrung out mop or cloth leaving area damp without puddling.
13. Crayons	Damage from use of pure solvents is not covered under warranty.

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CAUTIONARY NOTES

1. Regular light maintenance is more cost effective than periodic heavy maintenance and more beneficial to the floor covering. Sweep, dust mop, or vacuum daily or as needed.
2. Always sweep, mop or dry vacuum the floor regularly.
3. Always use clean equipment – dirty equipment only redistributes the dirt.
4. Do not mix cleaning products from different manufacturers – they may not be compatible.
5. Always remove any spillage immediately.
6. Always remove excess water.
7. Always take precautions to prevent dark rubber from coming into contact with the floor.
8. Never deviate from the cleaning products manufacturer's recommended dilution rates.
9. Wet floors are slippery; always use warning signs to advise that cleaning is in progress.
10. Protect floor from burns from the glowing end of cigarette or matches.
11. Avoid direct sunlight exposure for prolonged periods. Use blinds or drapes.
12. Contact with some agents, such as silicone hair products, will make the floor surface extremely slippery, which may result in accidents.

DO

Wipe up spills as soon as possible. Remove dried spills with a damp cloth and BONA® Stone, Tile, and Laminate Floor Cleaner.

Use an entryway mat sized to match width of entryway to trap dirt. Avoid coco mats, rubber, and non color safe rugs.

Wash your floor weekly or more frequently as need with BONA® Stone, Tile, and Laminate Floor Cleaner.

Use felt furniture protectors on legs and any part of furniture in contact with flooring.

DON'T

Don't use detergents, abrasive cleaners, vinegar, polish, oil soap, or "mop and shine" products - they may leave a dull film on your floor.

Don't use paste wax or solvent-based polishes.

Don't use a beater bar when vacuuming because it can visibly damage the floor surface.

Don't use highly abrasive scrubbing tools.

Don't use latex or rubber mats.

Don't use coco fiber mats. Don't leave standing water on your new KNOCK OUT® vinyl floor.

Following these easy instructions will give you years of enjoyment with your KNOCK OUT® Vinyl Floor.