

# Linoleum xf<sup>2</sup>

Veneto, Etrusco, Acoustic Cork, Silencio, Style  
Elle, Style Emme, Sicuro R10, SD, Conductive

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Linoleum floors

**Modern day-room cleaning aims to reduce wet cleaning procedures and replace them with drier cleaning techniques. For example, the use of centrally laundered pre-impregnated mops and the wide application of appropriate machines. This makes work more effective and easier for the cleaning staff, and minimizes environmental impact. Less cleaning chemicals and less fresh water are used.**

## GENERAL ADVICE

- Clean the floorcovering regularly, as this is more cost-effective and hygienic than occasional heavy-duty cleaning.
- Remove immediately sand from the surface as it will have an abrasive effect on the surface of the flooring
- Always follow dosage instructions carefully.
- Wipe up any grease and spilt oil immediately, as they may damage the surface.
- Resilient floors are damaged by solvents.
- A prolonged contact with Black rubber wheels and rubber feet can discolour the floorcovering.
- Furniture should be fitted with soft pads. The feet of the chairs must be not abrasive or have sharp edges and has to be covered with soft or polyurethane pads and they must be regularly cleaned, checked and replaced.
- Chair castors of type "W" must be used in accordance with EN 12529.
- The slipperiness of the floor covering is affected by the quantity of dirt and by the frequency and the materials used for cleaning. Safety and Hygiene issues can arise if the cleaning activity is reduced. Remember that light colours need more frequent cleaning.



## INITIAL SITE CLEANING

- Always protect the floor with thick paper or hardboard sheeting during the construction period. Select with the tape manufacturer a suitable adhesive tape for Linoleum.
- After installation, we recommend an initial site clean: vacuum, sweep or damp mop the area to remove building dust and loose dirt. A combined scrubber/dryer with brushes or red pads cleans large areas very effectively. Use detergent with a low pH (3-5). xf<sup>2</sup> will be not removed by any cleaning operation.

### A surface revolution

The greatest advance for Linoleum xf<sup>2</sup> is the reduced cleaning and maintenance. Compared with untreated linoleum flooring, several steps are no longer necessary, and the whole cleaning and maintenance process is simplified.

Always follow Tarkett's cleaning and maintenance instructions to be sure of getting the very best results.

## Preventive care



### Entrance matting

About 80% of surface soiling that has to be cleaned off is brought in from outside. And 90% of that soiling can be avoided using an effective and correctly dimensioned entrance mat. The less dirt that comes in through the entrance, the lower the maintenance requirements.

## Daily and regular cleaning



### Dry mopping / Sweeping

Remove dust and dirt with yarn or microfiber mops, or disposable mops, dry or impregnated. You can also use a suitable broom with soft bristles.

OR



### Vacuum cleaning

To remove dust and loose dirt. Recommended for large areas and initial site clean.



### Damp mopping

Use a mop dampened with water or detergent solution. It is essential that water does not stay on the floor or leave a film. The floor should be virtually dry after 15-20 seconds.

OR



### Combined machine (for large areas)

Use diluted neutral detergent. Speed low 150-250 rpm or higher. Red pads are usually most suitable.

*If any doubts or clarifications should be needed, please contact your local Tarkett representative for further information.*

### Spot and stain removal

Treat stains immediately. Spot clean by hand with a white/red nylon pad and neutral detergent (solvents should not be used). Work from the outside of the mark towards its centre. Rinse and wipe afterwards with clean water.



#### IF NECESSARY

#### **Spray cleaning (for heavily soiled areas) – only for rolls**

With a spray equipment apply sufficient solution of water and detergent to initially leave a very thin film of water on the floor covering. After this has taken effect (10 min), even stubborn dirt will have been detached and can be removed with the mop rinsed in the water and wrung out.

### Periodic cleaning



#### **Combined machine**

Use diluted neutral detergent. Speed low 150-250 rpm or higher.

Red/brown pads are usually most suitable.

If necessary dry buff (red pad) to restore gloss.

Suitable speed: 500-1000 rpm.

OR



#### **Machine scrubbing + Wet vacuuming + Dry buffing**

Apply a cleaning solution (fairly strong, pH 10-11, after dilution) and allow to act for 5-10 min.

Clean the floor using a heavy-duty single disc scrubbing machine (red pad).

Vacuum up the dirty water immediately.

Rinse with clean water and allow the floor to dry.

If necessary dry buff (red pad) to restore gloss.

Suitable speed: 500-1000 rpm.



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## MAINTENANCE NO WAX NO POLISH ARE NEEDED

### Please note

Sharp edged /not maintained furniture feet, sand, pebbles, permanent push and drive movements on the same area will damage every kind of flooring over the time.

To give an additional protection, a maintenance coating can be applied to avoid an early wear.

The suitability of the maintenance coating must be agreed with its manufacturer.

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### WARNING!

#### Linoleum xf<sup>2</sup> SD Static Dissipative/Conductive

**Do not treat the flooring with wax or polish!**

**Applying wax, polish or similar treatment may change the products conductive behaviour!**

#### Linoleum Sicuro xf<sup>2</sup> R10

**Never apply polish or wax as these will affect the slip resistant properties of the flooring and never dry buff.**

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