

HOW TO CLEAN LAMINATE FLOORING AND MAINTAIN IT FOR LONG PERIODS

Offering great durability and the look of authentic timber flooring for less, it's hardly surprising, so many Australians choose to install laminate flooring in their own homes.

In order to reap the rewards of this fantastic flooring choice for as long as possible, it's important you're aware of the best way to clean laminate flooring.

Here's everything you need to know about cleaning and maintaining laminate flooring.

Don't clean laminate flooring with water

When it comes to general cleaning practices, it's first important to understand that laminate doesn't mix well with too much moisture. This is because laminate flooring is made up of several layers with a wooden composite core. When wood and high levels of water combine, wood can swell and split, and with flooring, this often leads to costly replacement bills.

Thankfully, there are plenty of other ways to keep your laminate flooring clean and protected.

Routine laminate floor cleaning

When it comes to cleaning laminate flooring regularly, a quick sweep and dry brush is all it takes to keep dust, dirt and debris at bay. If you want to give an even more thorough clean, you can use a vacuum.

Before vacuuming, always ensure your vacuum is set to a soft brush as rotating bristles on standard brushes can scratch laminate flooring.

If you're looking to wipe down the entire surface of your laminate flooring, you can use a mop. But as mentioned, it's important to keep water levels to an absolute minimum. A mop that has been well-rung and left to stand for ten minutes contains the maximum amount of moisture necessary to clean the laminate floor and won't pose a threat to the wooden composite core. Carpet Call's Hard Flooring Cleaning Kit is the perfect solution to this problem, as it leaves your laminate floors clean and ready to walk on in 15 minutes after use.

Cleaning up spills on laminate flooring

As soon as a liquid spills onto your laminate flooring, it's important you clean it up straight away. Failure to do so can cause the liquid to seep down into the precious wooden layer and damage its core. A clean cotton cloth is ideal for this purpose.

But what happens if you don't get to a spill in time?

Removing stains from laminate flooring

If you've discovered a stain on your laminate flooring, don't worry. With a little rubbing alcohol, you'll be waving goodbye to unwanted marks in no time! Simply dab the affected area with a small amount of rubbing alcohol on a cloth. Let it stand for a few minutes and then rub dry. The stain should be lifted, but if required, you can repeat the process. Once you're happy with the outcome, wipe away any excess alcohol with a slightly damp cloth.

For more information on how to care for your laminate flooring or to view Carpet Call's full range of laminate products, pop into your local store today!