

CARE AND MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS FOR HARLEQUIN HI-SHINE VINYL FLOOR

Please note that these instructions apply only to Harlequin Hi Shine vinyl floor. All other Harlequin Vinyl Floors are covered by a separate instruction sheet.

The recommended maintenance instructions must be followed to ensure that the Harlequin Hi-Shine vinyl floor retains its appearance and performance characteristics. Failure to do so may invalidate the guarantee. If in doubt, please contact your Harlequin Technical Advisor on the number above.

Entrance matting

The first line of defence is to have effective barrier mats at the entrance to the room. An effective matting will significantly reduce the amount of wet and dry soiling being carried on the underside of footwear.

The length of the matting should be at least 2 to 3 footfalls, and it should be regularly vacuumed and cleaned. Limiting foot borne contamination will make your maintenance regime considerably easier and will help prevent scratching and scuffing.

Maintenance

On installation, and each time after use, sweep the Harlequin Hi-Shine floor with a soft broom or dust control mop to remove any loose dirt, debris and dust. Do not use dust control mops that are impregnated with oils, they will leave a residue which will attract dust and dirt to the surface.

Any marks on the floor can be removed with a diluted solution of **Harlequin Vinyl Daily Cleaner** in the ratio of 1:200 (5ml of **Harlequin Vinyl Daily Cleaner** in 1 litre of water).

Using a mop or a hand-held trigger spray gun, lightly damp the floor surface with the diluted solution and then wipe over with a clean dry microfibre cloth. If any smear marks persist, remove with clean water and a dry cloth.

Floor care best practice

Always use Harlequin cleaning products to the dilution rates recommended. Improper use, or the use of incorrect products, can have an adverse effect on the floor and may invalidate the guarantee.

Abrasive powders or creams, strong solvents such as Acetone or highly alkaline solutions should not be used, they will result in irreversible damage.





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Always ensure that the Harlequin Hi-Shine floor is cleaned before it is rolled up. If there is any dirt on the underside sweep it clean to prevent transfer onto the performance surface when rolling.

Ensure that all adhesive residue from the tape is removed before rolling, otherwise it may be transferred to the performance surface and cause damage. Any stubborn adhesive residue can be removed using warm soapy water and a non-abrasive scouring pad. Allow the soapy water to penetrate before using the pad. If any adhesive residue remains, dab lightly with methylated spirit and wipe off with a soft cloth. Please note that top taping of Harlequin Hi-Shine is not recommended because removal of the tape could damage the surface of the floor.

Retain the original cardboard core, as it will be required to roll the floor after use. The cores help support the product and will prevent damage caused by bending and creasing. Use of the core will also make the rolled floor easier to handle. If the original cardboard cores are no longer available, use a PVC drainpipe with a minimum diameter of 75mm, ideally 100mm.

Always store the Harlequin Hi-Shine floor on the core lying horizontally, not vertically (standing on the roll end) which is likely to cause irreversible damage to the floor edge. If it is being transported to another location, retain the original packaging (box and inserts) for reuse to protect the floor in transit.

Avoid contact with sharp edges or points. Ensure that any furniture placed on the floor has feet that will not damage the floor. Take care when moving heavy objects such as stage equipment, dragging anything with sharp edges can scratch the floor.

Do not walk on the floor in Stiletto heels, as these will damage the floor.

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