

Linoleum Cleaning and Maintenance

Information on linoleum

Linoleum is a CO₂ neutral natural product made from renewable materials like linseed oil, rosins, wood flour, chalk, and eco-responsible pigments. Linoleum has a soft and comfortable surface that is antistatic and resistant to dust and dirt. The matt surface is warm and comfortable to touch and is also noise-reducing. The anti-bacterial linoleum surface is less susceptible to fingerprints and the colours do not fade over time. As linoleum is a 100% natural product, colour differences may occur.

If you want to keep the charm of linoleum and its other unique qualities, you should not use oil or alkali detergents like soda, brown soap, and ammonium chloride, as they can damage the linoleum surface.

Rest assured – should you detect a yellowish film on the surface of the linoleum, this will disappear when exposed to natural light.

Note that the desk and table tops must be treated with a cleaning agent especially made for cleaning linoleum (e.g. Monel) before use.

Daily cleaning

Clean with a damp cloth, optional a pH-neutral detergent can be used.

Occasional maintenance

For ongoing maintenance of the surface specifically use a product developed for linoleum care. FUMAC can recommend a concentrated linoleum cleaner from Monel, contact us for further information.

In case of heavy soiling use a suitable neutral detergent (eg Forbo Cleaner) in the right mixing ratio. Clean with water and a microfiber cloth. Then apply ready-to-use Linoleum care or Monel in a ratio of 0.5 dl to 10 l of water.

Stain removal

To prevent stubborn stains, trivets and coasters should be used under flowerpots, vases and preferably also under cups and glasses etc.

It is important to remove stains immediately to prevent permanent marks. Clean the surface with a neutral detergent in the right mixing ratio.

If the above treatment does not help, stains may be removed by soaking the surface in water with ready-to-use Linoleum care or Monel in a ratio of 0,5 dl to 1 l of water for approx. 5 minutes. Afterwards scrub with a microfiber cloth or similar. Finish by wiping up the dirty water with a cloth.

Note!

Be careful when using the materials in areas where the surface is heavily affected by water as well as strong chemical substances, including alkaline cleaning products, which have a degrading effect on linoleum.