



# SPC HYBRID FLOORING

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**\* Important : Only use PH Neutral cleaning products on your hybrid floor**

- 1. Immediately** – clean up any liquid or water-based spills or any other potentially staining marks using a dry clean cloth. Though Auslay Flooring hybrid floors are waterproof, don't leave liquid/water-based spills there just to test it. Auslay Flooring hybrid floors are resistant to most spots and stains, however some materials or colourants (such as tar, grease, oil, dyes, waxes, ball point/marker pens, or foods/beverages containing strong dyes as mustard, curry, cordial, coffee, tea etc.) may under certain conditions migrate into the wear layer causing stains.
- 2. Daily** or as required – remove any loose dirt or grit which could damage the floor by sweeping with a soft dry broom or vacuum (preferably with an effective dust filter and suction nozzle for hard surfaces turning off a powerhead, if installed).
- 3. Weekly** – damp mop the floor using water and a pH neutral cleaner to remove any footprints, dirt and other stains or marks. A recommended cleaning agent is Versadet from Peerless or floor cleaner from Bona
- 4. As required** – stubborn scuffs and stains can easily be removed using a damp cloth or sponge with methylated spirits. Ensure the methylated spirits is completely rinsed from the flooring. Do not use acetone or harsh chemicals as such, as they will discolour your floor.
- 5. Never use a steam-mop or steam-cleaner - Steam is detrimental to any flooring.**
- 6.** Never use abrasive cleaners, nylon scouring pads, steel wool, scouring powder or bleach as they may damage the floor.
- 7.** Never use oil, soap, wax or polishes as these finishes may make the floor slippery and can leave a dull finish on the floor.
- 8.** Place entrance mats (which must not have a rubber backing) at all external doors to trap dirt, sand, grit, moisture and other substances from shoes:
- 9.** Avoid placing any items with rubber backing on hybrid flooring, as over time, it may undergo a chemical reaction with the wear layer, potentially causing stains.
- 10.** Use non-staining felt protectors under heavy pieces of furniture. Fit office chairs, filing trolleys, mobile containers and old hard- or sharp-edged castors on furniture with soft treads or castors. Chair pads should be used under desk chairs with castors.
- 11.** Heavy objects and furniture such as large bookcases, full size billiard tables, freestanding bathtubs or kitchen units should not be situated on any floating installation. This can lead to the floor failing to respond to contraction and expansion, which can cause squeaking, gapping and possible failure. Never install fixture directly through the hybrid flooring.
- 12.** Never drag, slide or roll furniture or appliances across your floor. Protect the surface if using a trolley to move heavy objects.
- 13.** Floor to ceiling windows coupled with the Australian/New Zealand sun can create floor surface temperatures over 70°C. Auslay industries hybrid planks are manufactured to be stable in low and high temperatures (10-40°C). However, your floor should be protected from extreme temperatures and strong direct sunlight using interior temperature and humidity control (recommended temperatures 10-30°C and relative humidity levels between 30% and 70%), window tinting, awnings and/or curtains/ blinds. Dramatic temperature changes and/or extreme humidity can cause joints to lip/gap and prolonged direct sunlight will cause fading which will not be covered by the manufacturing warranty. To avoid fading and sun related issues you must use window coverings with UV protection. Hybrid flooring is not recommended for sun rooms.
- 14.** Sharp edges can scratch the flooring. Please be mindful of this.
- 15.** In areas of excessive traffic, make use of runners or area rugs. This will prolong the life of the floor. Rugs should be cleaned regularly.
- 16.** Following these simple guidelines for Taking Care of your hybrid floor will allow you to enjoy you to enjoy your beautiful floor for many years to come.

