

Care and cleaning instructions for Witex laminate flooring



General instructions for maintenance, cleaning and care

- ✓ Vacuum cleaning is generally sufficient.
- ✓ When cleaning with water or cleaning products please use sparingly (wipe with a moist cloth only). Do not rub with abrasive (e.g. coarse or gritty) microfibres.
- Do not use cleaners which are likely to leave <u>film residues</u>. For a laminate floor - less is more!
- ✓ <u>Never</u> use steam-cleaning equipment (<u>exceptions:</u> Witex **grande** and Witex **piazza** <u>please request separate information sheets</u>).
- ✓ Observe recommended ambient humidity conditions of 50-65% at 20°C. If necessary use a dedicated humidifier (available in the Witex range of accessories).
- ✓ Dirt and sand have the same effect as sandpaper. Anti-soiling protection or mats should therefore be provided close to entrances and in areas where dirt and moisture might be brought indoors.
- ✓ Chair and furniture legs and objects that are likely to be pushed across the surface should be fitted with felt gliders.
- ✓ Fit Type W castors (soft castors according to DIN 68168) to items such as office chairs, rolling bins, etc.
- ✓ Where underfloor heating is in use, the surface temperature of the floor covering must not exceed <u>26°C</u> under any circumstances. This is important if rugs are placed over the surface as there is a risk of heat build-up.

Technical Information



Witex laminate flooring

gives a special feel to living. For lasting enjoyment of the surface, the floor must be correctly maintained. Witex laminate floors require little maintenance and are outstandingly resistant to wear. Correct care can considerably extend the life of your floor.

Ambient conditions

To maintain the floor in peak condition and for overall comfort, surroundings should be kept at or near the ideal level (about 20°C and 50-65% relative humidity). If the relative humidity is likely to remain below this level for long periods, use of a suitable evaporative humidifier is recommended. This is particularly true during periods when central heating is in use or when hot conditions occur naturally. Low humidity leads to a reduction in the moisture content of the wood; under these conditions joints can open up. By contrast, excessive humidity or standing surface water can lead to damage through swelling (deformation and discolouration).

Initial treatment

Laminate floors require no intial treatment before use. The surface does not require a protective film. Maintenance products which leave a film behind must be avoided because they impair the wear properties of the product and make cleaning difficult.

Maintenance

For maintaining we recommend to use the CC-Dr. Schutz Laminate cleaner (art.no. 10060174).

Remove loose dust and dirt using a vacuum cleaner.

To remove dirt on a "daily basis, dilute Laminate Cleaner in a ratio of 1:200 with water and wipe over the floor with a slightly damp mop washed out in this solution and wrung out well.

Remove stains/marks, heel marks, coloured pen marks, etc., with Elatex Universal stain Remover or, if necessary, with undiluted Laminate Cleaner and a suitable cloth or non-abrasive white pad. Subsequently wipe over slightly damp with clear water until all dirt and cleaning agent residues have been removed completely.

Stain removal

see section on maintenance

Cleaning your Witex Laminate is so easy		
Type of cleaning / soiling	Sweep or <u>vacuum</u>	Cleaning product
After installation	Yes	CC-Dr. Schutz Laminate Cleaner (art.no. 10060174)
Initial treatment	No	not required
Maintenance	Yes	CC-Dr. Schutz Laminate Cleaner (art.no. 10060174) CC-Dr. Schutz Spraymax (art.no. 10060183)
Removal of stains, greasy smears, wax, oil	Yes	CC-Dr. Schutz Laminate Cleaner (art.no. 10060174) CC-Elatex Stain Remover (art.no. 10060173)

Cleaning and Care Instructions



Flooring: laminate

Manufacturer: Witex Flooring Products GmbH

1. Preventive measures

Much of the ingress of dirt can be avoided by installing dirt traps in front of doorways and clean-off zones in entrance areas, and including them in routine cleaning.

2. After the installation: Glue removal

Glue removal (not suitable for click system laminate flooring):

Spray Elatex onto glue residues resp. glue marks and let it work for a few minutes. Subsequently treat residues with a white, scratch-free pad and gather the loosened glue with absorbent cloths. Finally mop with a cloth rinsed in clear water and well wrung-out.

3. Routine cleaning

Dilute Laminate Cleaner with water in a ratio of 1:200 and wipe the floor with a damp mop which has been rinsed in this solution and thoroughly wrung out, in order to remove daily soiling.

In the meantime, loose dust and fine dirt can be quickly removed with Spray Max in an uncomplicated way, if required. Remove stains, heel marks, crayon colours etc. with Elatex or with undiluted Laminate Cleaner and a suitable cloth or scratch-free white pad, if applicable. Subsequently mop with clear water, until all dirt and cleaning agent residues have been completely absorbed.

4. General information

Never leave laminate flooring damp or even wet, since it could absorb humidity in the area of the edges and thereby change its form (swelling). When cleaning, always make sure that the flooring is wiped either dry (with a mop, vacuum cleaner) or only damp (with a well wrung-out mop), and that no "puddles" develop on the floor.

These cleaning and maintenance instructions have been produced in consultation with the manufacturer of the floor covering. The quality, ecological compatibility and fields of application of the cleaning and care products mentioned have been confirmed by expertises from independent test institutes.

By passing on these Instructions for cleaning and care to its customer, the party responsible for installing new flooring has complied with DIN 18 365 regulations.

If you have any further questions regarding the cleaning and care of resilient flooring or are interested in receiving cleaning instructions for textile floor coverings, please contact our Technical Applications Advisory Service. Our staff will be pleased to give you any assistance you require.



