



FLOORCARE DOS & DON'TS

DOS

- ★ Do use chair protectors on the legs of your furniture to protect your floors.
- ★ Do expect wool carpets to fade over time as exposed to UV Rays.
- ★ Do use neutral PH cleaners specifically designed to clean tile and stone.
- ★ Do have your carpets professionally cleaned by our H.J. Martin cleaning division every 18 months to maintain manufacturers stain and warranty requirements.
- ★ Do expect that your hardwood will scratch and dent. High heels and pet's nails can cause major damage to your hardwood floors.
- ★ Do vacuum your floors regularly. Manufacturers recommend once or twice a week at minimum.
- ★ Do maintain a proper humidity level of 35-45% if you have hardwood floors.
- ★ Do seal your grout. Sealing your grout minimizes the porosity and helps to resist color change and dirt from penetrating the surface. Grout should be sealed regularly. The H.J. Martin cleaning division can set you up on a maintenance plan.
- ★ Do check with your H.J. Martin sales professional on what type of vacuum is best for your particular carpet. Some manufacturers will not warranty if certain vacuums are used.
- ★ Do follow all manufacturers' recommendations for cleaning and maintaining your floors to avoid warranty disputes.
- ★ Do expect you hardwood to change colors with light exposure. Exotic woods darken over time, while other woods can lighten. Proper window coverings can help minimize this process.

DON'TS

- ★ Don't use rubber back mats or rugs on your vinyl floors. Certain rubbers in the backing can cause a chemical reaction and discolor your floor.
- ★ Don't use wet Swiffers® or a mop bucket and water on your hardwood or laminate floors. These types of floors are sensitive to excessive moisture. Dry terry cloth Swiffers with spray wood & laminate cleaner is best.
- ★ Don't use the beater bar setting on your vacuum on longer pile carpets. Doing this will damage the tangle and damage the fibers. The suction setting is recommended for longer pile carpet and rugs.
- ★ Don't use bleach to clean grout. It will leach moisture and cause your grout to become brittle and more susceptible to mold and mildew.
- ★ Don't use vinegar and water to clean your floors. Vinegar is an acid and it can cause damage.
- ★ Don't use Murphy® Oil Soap on your hardwood floors. It causes a build up and leaves a residue on your floor that is extremely difficult to remove.

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