

GF LVT and SPC care guide

How to clean, protect and look after GF glue-down LVT and GF Click SPC so it keeps looking its best.

COVERS GF Glue Down 0.3, 0.55 and 0.7, GF Click SPC and GF by AW

1. Protecting your floor

- **Lift, don't drag.** Always lift heavy furniture when moving it. Dragging can scratch the surface and damage click joints.
- **Felt pads** on the legs of chairs, tables and other furniture.
- **Castor cups** under heavy items such as sofas and wardrobes, to spread the weight.
- **Entrance mats** at every outside door to trap grit and moisture. Use **non-rubber-backed** mats and rugs only. Rubber and latex backings can permanently discolour vinyl.
- **Rugs or runners** in hallways and other busy areas, again without rubber backing.
- **Sunlight:** use blinds or curtains to limit long spells of strong direct sunlight, which can cause fading and movement.

2. Everyday cleaning

- Sweep with a soft broom or vacuum regularly. Grit is what scratches floors. Use a hard-floor head without a beater bar.
- Mop as needed with a **pH-neutral cleaner made for vinyl or LVT**, using a well-wrung damp mop. Never flood the floor.
- Wipe up spills straight away. Never leave standing water or puddles.
- **Do not use a steam cleaner.** The heat and moisture can damage the surface and the adhesive.
- Check with your fitter before using any cleaning machine.

3. Removing marks

Food and drink	A damp cloth with a pH-neutral cleaner
Grease or oil	A mild detergent, then rinse with clean water and dry
Scuffs and shoe marks	Buff with a damp cloth and a mild vinyl floor cleaner
Ink, paint or permanent marker	Rub gently with a little isopropyl alcohol on a soft cloth

4. Never use

- Abrasive pads, scouring powders or steel wool
- Bleach, acetone, white spirit or other harsh chemicals

- Wax, polish or oil-based products
- Rubber- or latex-backed mats and rugs

5. After fitting

- Glue-down floors: keep off for 24 hours, and wait 72 hours before wet-mopping or moving heavy furniture back.
- Put entrance mats down straight away to keep grit off the new floor.

6. Room conditions

- Keep the room between 18°C and 27°C (ideally 20–22°C) and humidity between 35% and 60%.
- With underfloor heating, the floor temperature must never go above 27°C.

7. Pets and footwear

- Keep pets' claws trimmed.
- Avoid stiletto heels and studded or spiked shoes, which can dent and scratch. Soft-soled indoor shoes are best.

Looking after your guarantee

Caring for your floor as described here is a condition of the GF guarantee. Keep your invoice and installation date, and keep at least three spare planks (five for herringbone click designs) from your original batch.

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