# Caring For Your Floors - Tiles

#### **STEPS**

## There are three simple steps to the care and maintenance of your tiles:

- 1. Before mopping, always sweep or vacuum tiles to remove dust and dirt.
- 2. Always use a clean mop and add warm or hot water to the bucket. Most importantly, change the dirty water for clean water every 20m<sup>2</sup> 30m<sup>2</sup> of mopping, otherwise you are just mopping your floors with dirty water! For a streak-free clean, try using a microfibre mop.
- 3. Never add supermarket detergents to your water. These can leave a soapy residue on your tiles and can be the main cause of dirt sticking to the surface such as footprint marks appearing.

#### **TIPS**

- Try to wipe up each spill straight away to eliminate additional cleaning.
- Have a starting point and a finish point to avoid walking over drying tiles.
- A small amount of methylated spirits can be diluted with hot water for a home solution.

#### SPECIFIC STAIN REMOVAL

• Generally, the longer a stain has been left on a tile, the more difficult it will be to remove. Where possible, consult your merchant about the type of stain you are trying to remove, as there are specialist products for cleaning the stains.

### **AVOID**

- Do not use acid based products to clean glazed or polished tiles as this may affect or damage the surface, unless recommended by a specialist.
- Do not use abrasive applicators, such as scouring sponges, on products that have a reflective, polished or textured surface as this can cause damage to the finish of the tile.
- Avoid soapy based products as they will leave unwanted residue.
- Avoid a build-up of soaps, shampoos and other residues as they can leave visible marks and grime.



Disclaimer: This information is to be used a guide only. Always test products with a small area before use.

