

**Our matting is engineered to remove and trap tracked-in moisture and soil within its working surface. To keep your matting at peak performance, it is essential to remove these trapped particulates. Regular vacuuming takes away surface debris as well as particulates suspended just beneath the surface. Removing gum and embedded soil requires more aggressive cleaning.**

## Step 1: Vacuum Daily

Vacuum daily or more often when conditions warrant. For best results, use an IEQ approved commercial grade upright vacuum.



## Step 2: Underneath Edges

Over time, grit can work its way under the first few inches of the matting, particularly along the trafficked edges. Lift the edges back and vacuum or dust mop the exposed floor to remove any accumulated soil or debris. To revitalize the backing's grip on the floor, use a clean, damp cloth and wipe away any grit or debris.



## Step 3: Hot Water Extract Monthly

Hot water extract monthly or more often when conditions warrant. Do not use a sudsing surfactant. In most cases, hot water alone is sufficient. Allow to dry thoroughly before returning to service.

## Step 4: Spot Clean as Needed

### Absorb Spills:

Blot liquids with a dry, white absorbent cloth. Start at the outside of the spot and continue toward the center to prevent the stain from spreading. Continue until the area is barely damp. Semisolids, like food spills, may need to be scooped up with a spoon. Solid, dried bits can be vacuumed up. Warning: do not scrub or use a brush. Scrubbing and brushes can damage the matting fibers. Fraying and texture change is the likely result.

### Treat the Spot or Stain:

Use a Carpet and Rug Institute (CRI) approved carpet cleaning product. Though these have been laboratory tested, you should still pretest any cleaner on a scrap of carpet or in a hidden area of your matting. Follow the product's directions carefully. Apply a small amount of the cleaner to a white cloth and work in gently, from the edges to the center. Blot; don't scrub. Never use a brush. You may need to do this several times to remove the spot.

## Step 5: Shine the Edging

To restore the luster to your matting's edging use a citrus-based cleaner or equivalent. Apply to a clean cloth and lightly wipe the edging.



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