

Caring for Furniture Linoleum

The Forbo Furniture Linoleum collection is also known as Desktop material. It is a natural material that delivers the finishing touch for all high end furniture designs such as desks, chairs, stools, cabinets, doors and displays. Furniture Linoleum is renowned for its elegance and durability, radiating high quality and finesse. The combination of the mat surface and a warm, soft texture make it a unique surfacing solution.

IMPORTANT! Before starting any cleaning procedures on any Forbo products, contact Forbo's Product Support & Education Services for additional information, recommendations or to schedule a site visit. The best results may not be achieved if the chemical and equipment types recommended below are not used.

SPOT CLEANING PROCEDURES USING FORBO ADHESIVE REMOVER

1. Stains should be removed as quickly as possible to eliminate permanent damage.
2. Excess soiling materials such as chewing gum, nail polish, lipstick, asphalt, crayon, ink, marker, paint, lacquer, enamel, tar or foodstuffs should be removed or carefully scraped off with the flat side of a plastic scraper.
3. Apply Forbo Adhesive Remover using a microfiber cloth or sponge.
4. Allow 3 – 5 minutes of contact time.
5. Wipe the area to remove any excess cleaner from the surface using a microfiber cloth or sponge. Some soiling may require extra contact time or repeat applications.
6. Apply a solution of Forbo Neutral pH Cleaner (diluted 1 oz. per gallon of clean, cool water) using a microfiber cloth or sponge.
7. Recover the cleaning solution from the surface.
8. Using a clean microfiber cloth or sponge, wipe the area thoroughly with clean, cool water.
9. Allow the area to dry completely.

ROUTINE CLEANING

1. Remove all surface soil, debris, sand and grit.
2. Follow the Spot Cleaning Procedures to remove any marks from the Furniture Linoleum.
3. Mix a solution of Forbo Neutral pH Cleaner (diluted 1 oz. per gallon of clean cool water). Do NOT use any harsh acidic or alkali cleaners on Furniture Linoleum.
4. Apply the solution using a microfiber cloth or sponge. Application can also be done using a spray bottle. Apply enough cleaner to the surface so it remains wet, but do NOT flood the surface. Allow 3 – 5 minutes of contact time.
5. Wipe the area to loosen and remove any soil.
6. If there are heavy soil loads or scuffs, gently hand scrub the surface using a non-abrasive blue kitchen scrub pad. Do NOT use coarse abrasive scrubbing pads.
7. Using a clean microfiber cloth or sponge, wipe the area thoroughly with clean, cool water. Change the water often to ensure it remains clean and clear.
8. Dry the area with an absorbent cloth so it can be examined to ensure proper cleaning. Repeat the process if soiling still exists.
9. Allow the surface to dry completely before use.

RESTORATIVE CARE

The following recommendations should be followed if the surface has developed minor scuffs or abrasions – not gouges. Clean the Furniture Linoleum following the Routine Cleaning process.

1. Ensure that there is an even appearance level on the surface with all debris removed and that the surface is completely dry.
2. Pour Forbo Matte Finish into a paint tray.
3. Using a fine nap or foam paint roller, evenly apply a single, thin coat of finish. Roll the surface in one direction, making sure not to pool, drip, streak or allow bubbles. Take care not to splash the finish on surrounding flooring or other furniture. Do NOT apply more than one coat of finish.
NOTE: If this is the first time applying finish, it is recommended to use a scrap piece of material as a test to ensure that you are able to apply an even coat.
4. Allow the finish to dry for a minimum of 30 minutes. Temperature, humidity and air flow may speed up or slow down this process. It is not recommended to use fans to speed this process, as they can cause the finish to dry unevenly. Make sure the entire surface is completely dry before placing any objects back onto the surface.
5. If finish needs to be removed, follow the Routine Cleaning process, but use Forbo Heavy Duty Cleaner (diluted 4 oz. per gallon of clean, cool water) in place of the Forbo Neutral pH Cleaner. Once the finish is removed, repeat the Restorative Care process.

NOTE: Once Forbo Matte Finish is applied, the use of Forbo Adhesive Remover can dull or partially remove the finish from the Furniture Linoleum. If the use of Forbo Adhesive Remover is required to remove surface marks, it is recommended to follow the Restorative Care process and remove all the finish and reapply a thin coat to the entire surface to ensure that the final result is an even surface appearance.

For additional information, contact Forbo's Product Support & Education Services at 1-800-842-7839.