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Entrance Solutions

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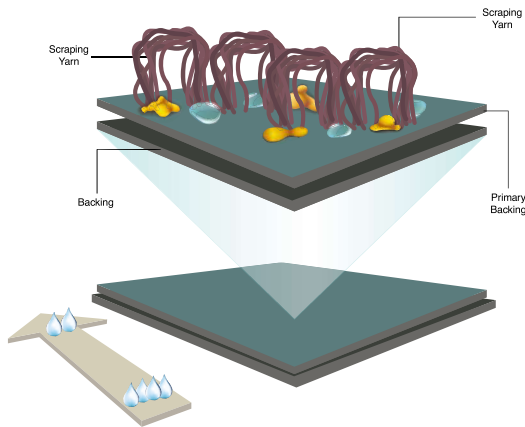
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# EXT MAT

## Description:

EXT MAT is a special outdoor mat that pairs scraping qualities with moisture absorption. The outdoor mat is available in three colours and suits every entrance.

EXT MAT is a robust mat that is ideal for heavy commercial use. It works best in entrance areas, stairwells, hospitality areas & lifts, for example, in commercial buildings and medium-sized and large offices.

EXT MAT stands out in terms of moisture absorption. Consequently, the mat is optimised for scraping. Small areas of dirt in the mat are not visible. This product can be used inside or outside and provides a durable solution in high traffic areas thanks to its Bouclé construction. The slightly blended design features coarse yarns only.

EXT MAT is a versatile outdoor mat fitting many different situations. This is down to its practical and versatile appeal. Even if the mat is used indoors it continues to perform to the highest standards by preventing dirt and moisture ingress reaching internal floors within a building.

## Technical data:

Pile material	100% Polyamide Backing PVC
Primary backing	nonwoven PET/PA Yarn
Construction	Bouclé
Pattern	Blended
Colours	3
Pile weight ISO 8543	± 600 g/m <sup>2</sup>
Total weight ISO 8543	± 3,000 g/m <sup>2</sup> pile
Height ISO 1766	± 6.5 mm
Total height ISO 1765	± 8.0 mm
Pile density ISO 8543	0.079 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
Number of stitches ISO 1763	± 64,500 /m <sup>2</sup>
Use classification EN 1307	33
Wearing class EN 1963	33
Comfort EN 1307	LC1
Suitability for stairs EN 1963	Intensive use
Suitability for castor chairs EN 985	Occasional use
Dimensional stability ISO 2551	<0.4%
Light fastness ISO 105 B02	>7
Water fastness ISO 105 B01	4 – 5
Rubbing fastness ISO 105 X12	4 – 5
Salt water ISO 105 E02	4 – 5
Shampoo BS 1006	4 – 5
Organic solvents ISO 105 X05	4 – 5
Absorption capacity TNO W6034	± 3.8 l/m <sup>2</sup>
Flammability	(BS6307) Methanamine Pill Test - Pass
BS EN13501	Cfl
Slip resistance EN13893	DS
Static charge ISO 6356	<0.1 kV
Roll widths	200 cm
Roll length	± 20 m

# cleaning guide

## Rollable primary matting systems

**Daily** - Vacuum clean

**Weekly** - Removal of grit, etc. and vacuum clean. Removal of chewing gum

**Monthly** - Removal of large grit, etc. and vacuum clean. Cleaning of matwell: - roll up mat and extract dirt / grit from under the mat. Check retainer screws at all 4 corners of mat and replace mat after cleaning making sure retainer screws are secure.

**Periodically** - Removal of large grit, etc.+ vacuum clean. Cleaning of matwell by roll up the mat and extract dirt grid from under the mat. Check retainer screws and replace mat after cleaning making sure retainer screws are secure. Accumulating dirt underneath the mats may undermine the structure of the mat.

Cleaning frequency is subject to amount of traffic, surroundings and weather conditions.

## Modular primary matting systems

**Daily** - Vacuum clean

**Weekly** - Removal of grit, etc. vacuum clean. Removal of chewing gum\*

**Monthly** - Remove large grit from the mat well by vacuum cleaning. Thoroughly clean mat well: - Take modules up and extract dirt / grit from under the mat. Replace modules in exact order they came out.

**Periodically** - Removal of large grit, etc. + vacuum clean.

**Cleaning of matwell:** - Take up modules extract dirt / grit from under the mat. Check sub floor is sound and replace modules in exact place where they were found. We also recommend that a periodic deep clean using hot water extraction is used to remove deep set dirt within the mat. (Specialist cleaning firms can be recommended).

Cleaning frequency is subject to amount of traffic, surroundings and weather conditions.

\*NB:- removal of chewing gum is best using a proprietary gum removal gel such as that from fleetlight tel:- 02084667848.

**Maintenance Specification for Mat.Works Entrance Carpets and Carpet Tiles** - To maximise the entrance carpet's aesthetic appeal, performance and life expectancy, it is imperative to ensure at the specification stage that:

1. Carpets will be protected from other site activities during installation and thereafter.
2. Clients understand the enclosed information and that they accept responsibility for correct carpet care. (Mat.Works will provide a copy of the Cleaning and Maintenance guide to the end-users address when requested.)

**General Cleaning** - Daily vacuuming with a rotary brush vacuum cleaner, preferably with an adjustable head, is recommended. It is essential to remove all loose soil daily because if left to build up, the particles of dirt are much harder to remove and are more damaging to the yarn structure, thereby decreasing the life of the carpet.

Entrance Areas are prone to higher traffic levels and higher levels of dirt and moisture. This means that the maintenance program for entrance matting should be more frequent than for general carpeting areas, a ratio of 2 entrance cleans to 1 carpet clean is a general good guide for preventative periodical maintenance.

Depending on the level of trafficking, the carpet should be periodically deep cleaned using high performance hot water extraction equipment. In certain circumstances, for instance excessively stained carpet the cleaning professional may consider a combination between rotary brush and extraction equipment to give improved results. Rotary brush cleaning by itself is not recommended.

A reputable contract cleaner should be used, preferably NCCA registered (for NCCA details telephone 0116 271 9550). It is important that the carpet is deep cleaned at least once a year.

**Stain Removal** - It is essential to deal with spillages immediately and any subsequent stains as appropriate. In the event of a spillage, immediately blot with a clean absorbent cloth until there is no further transfer from the carpet to the cloth. If any further stain remains or has otherwise been allowed to dry, the method will vary accordingly.

It is recognised that particularly for contract situations, if stains are not dealt with immediately, cleaning staff may not be in a position to identify the type of stain. A good quality, multi-purpose stain remover is therefore very useful, although it must be understood that this will not successfully tackle all types of stains, and wherever possible the chart recommendations should be strictly adhered to (see right). Also any stains left over a period of time become increasingly more difficult to remove and may require several treatments.

In all cases after stain removal the carpet should be allowed to dry completely and then cleaned with a rotary brush vacuum cleaner.

Solvent cleaning of bitumen backed tiles should preferably be avoided. Where this is not possible, extra caution should be taken and only very light surface cleaning should take place.

## Special Cases

**Cigarette burns** – it is recommended that these are punched out and replaced by a professional carpet fitter.

**Major spillages** – seek professional advice from a member of the NCCA.

If any of the treatment lists are not successful, seek professional help. The methods are based upon experience and are recommended in good faith. However, we cannot accept responsibility for their use in any specific case.

# cleaning & maintenance

## cleaning solutions & methods

Cleaning method A	Type of stain
<p>A liquid detergent such as Granwax spot/stain remover, in accordance with manufacturers instructions.</p> <p>Granwax tel no: 01773 541177</p>	<p>Alcoholic beverages            Baby or animal stains            Blood (wet)            Coffee, tea chocolate            Minerals and fruit juices            Water based paint            Food            Fountain pen ink            Vomit            Oil based paint or varnish            Butter and other greases            Cooking oils and other oils            Ointment            Metal polish            Tar            Cream, ice-cream and milk</p>
Cleaning method B	Type of stain
<p>A dry solvent spotter such as Prochem solvall.</p>	<p>All inks except fountain pen ink</p>
Cleaning method C	Type of stain
<p>Methylated spirits. Method: Moisten a cloth with the appropriate solvent and dab onto the stain. Carry on using alternate moist and dry cloths until no further stain transfer. Finally, cover the damp area with a thick wad of dry cloths, cover with something heavy and leave for several hours.</p>	<p>Coffee, tea, chocolate</p>
Cleaning method D	Type of stain
<p>A paste made with biological washing powder and mixed to use as little water as possible. Method: Moisten stain with warm water and cover with the paste. Keep moist for approximately 2 hours. Sponge with clean warm water and blot with an absorbent cloth.</p>	<p>Dried blood</p>
Cleaning method E	Type of stain
<p>Scrape off the excess with a blunt edged knife.            Use proprietary chewing gum remover.            Contact Granwax for advice.</p> <p>Granwax tel no. 01773 541177</p>	<p>Chewing gum            Blu-tack            Plasticine</p>



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to UK manufacturing and the  
very best environmental practices**

# National Floorcoverings

## Our Heritage - Our Future

Producing a wide variety of products from entrance matting, fibre bonded carpets for the education market, tufted carpet and tiles for the commercial sector to specialised indoor and outdoor sports surfaces, the group has expertise in all flooring fields.

The family is dedicated to maintaining and developing its UK manufacturing base with customer support. It takes a colossal supply network to ensure a combined 500,000 sq.ft. of facilities run efficiently. In support of the local community, suppliers are often used in the surrounding vicinity of the factories.

By striving to be No.1 in sustainable design for flooring solutions the family of companies has established strong international export presence in more than 50 countries.

Where tested, the group has BRE 'A+' Ratings for its products, being the highest environmental standard currently available.

With clients such as Google, Apple, Local Authorities, the Health Service, the Ministry of Defence, there is always a requirement to provide the highest quality products using the most technologically advanced production processes and therefore commanding a route to the future.

National Floorcoverings UK have a strong international export presence in more than **50 countries**.

Across the UK, the group employs **over 350** people, most of which are local to the five manufacturing facilities in Yorkshire and Derbyshire.

National Floorcoverings is a **UK family owned business** which, along with associated family businesses, has a turnover exceeding £60m.



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