

Tile Cleaning and Maintenance Guide



Whether your tiling job is new or old there are a few ways in which you can keep your tiles looking amazing and enhance the life of your grout.

Porcelain and Ceramic tiles are stain-resistant, tough, and virtually non-porous - this makes them one of the most hygienic and easy to clean floor coverings available on the market. By creating an easy weekly regiment to your cleaning duties, you can keep your tiles spotless and clean without having to scrub!

This [Tile Cleaning and Maintenance Guide](#) will give you some simple tips on how to clean your tiles easily:

1. Vacuum or Sweep the Area

First run a vacuum or broom over the area to ensure any dirt, dust or debris is picked up. This saves you from pushing or spreading the mess around further.

2. Mop or Steam Mop the Area

You can do this using a solution of warm water with a couple of drops of vinegar or floor cleaner.

Remember always to rinse thoroughly after use of cleaners.

NB: We recommend using a steam mop if you can - this is a great way of cleaning tiles as you do not need to use any special cleaners and detergents. The steam disinfects the area, and lifts away dirt at the same time.

3. If Extra Cleaning is Required

If the area needs more attention or a deeper clean, we recommend using the Aquamix Concentrated Stone & Tile Cleaner along with a plastic-based or natural bristle brush. This product is a no VOC formula, biodegradable and can be diluted with water which makes it a very cost effective solution. This product is available through Tilemax.

General Notes:

- For Polished Tiles

We recommend using a towel or microfibre cloth to dry any excess water off the surface. This will prevent any streaking that could occur as the tiles dry.

- For Marble, Natural Stone, Terracotta Style or Cement Encaustic Tiles

Contact your local Tilemax store for more information as special cleaning methods will be required.

- Everyday Cleaners

If you are wanting to use everyday cleaning products, first test product in an inconspicuous area. Some heavy duty mildew/mould products can affect tiles, grouts or sealers.

- A periodic heavy-duty clean is advised.

- **Externally** the same products can be used, but more often than not a sweep and hose down will do trick.

For information on pricing or if you have any queries about further maintenance of your tiles, please don't hesitate to contact your local Tilemax branch.