

Carpet Ridge Recessed Mats

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The following cleaning and maintenance instructions are recommended to uphold the appearance and effective performance of the product.

Preventative Maintenance

Because 90% of all dirt in a building comes in on footwear, American Floor Mats strongly recommends installing and maintaining entrance matting (preferably permanently installed) at all outdoor entrances (20-30 linear feet for major entrances; less for infrequently used entrances). Doing this will improve indoor air quality, reduce flooring maintenance costs, and lengthen the life of your interior floors.

Furniture Protection

Protect flooring from damage by furniture by using the proper glides, casters and/or floor protectors. Prevent damage by wheeled furniture, appliances, dollies, pallet jacks and etc by using wheels or casters that are appropriate for the load being carried. When moving very heavy objects across the floor, even if they are on wheels, it is recommended to cover the floor with plywood or hardboard panels to prevent indentations, scratching or other damage to the floor.

Routine Cleaning

Vacuum cleaning using a commercial brush vacuum cleaner constitutes the basis of daily maintenance.

Recommendations for vacuuming frequency:

Heavy to normal foot traffic/heavy to normal soiling	1 x per day
Light foot traffic/light soiling	2 to 3 x per week
Occasional foot traffic/minimal soiling	1 x per week

Spot Removal

Remove spills and spots as soon as possible after they occur.

- Remove solid components using a scoop. Absorb liquids using a clean absorbent white cloth or paper towel.
- Treat the spot with all-purpose spot remover using a clean, damp cloth. Always test spot removers in an inconspicuous area first. Grease or oil-based stains may require a citrus solvent based sport remover. Contact your local janitorial supply distributor.
- Work towards the middle of the spot, in the direction of the pile.
- Pat on the spot, do not rub.
- Allow the spot dry, and then vacuum the treated area.
- For dried or hardened spots, call in a cleaning expert to prevent the carpet matting from getting damaged during spot removal.

Deep Cleaning

Vacuum carpet matting and remove any spots. Deep clean matting using the Hot Water Extraction method. Extraction cleaning removes deeply embedded soils and should be performed as needed, based on traffic and soil levels.

Best results and quickest dry times are achieved with a commercial truck-mounted steam extraction machine. When clear water is obtained during the extraction, the dirt has been removed from the carpet.

Recommendations for Deep Cleaning frequency:

Heavy use	4 x per year
Normal use	2 x per year
Moderate use	1 x per year