

# Maintenance Instructions

## Initial & Regular Maintenance

- Sweep or vacuum the floor to remove any dirt or grit.
- Use a damp mop with a neutral vinyl floor cleaning solution to clean the vinyl. (Such as Armstrong Once N Done for residential applications and Armstrong S-485 Commercial Floor Cleaner for commercial applications, mixed according to manufacturer's instructions)
- Rinse the floor with clean water to ensure all the cleaner solution and/or soil residue has been removed.

### **NOTE**

Do not scrub or wet wash the new floor for at least four days following installation to avoid causing a problem with the bond of the adhesive to the subfloor.

Do not use excessive amounts of water when cleaning the floor.

Avoid the use of harsh chemicals or coarse scrub pads which could damage the flooring surface.

A 'no polish' option is acceptable on Captivate LVP Allure Series. However, for added protection in higher traffic areas, or if a higher gloss is preferred, follow the instructions below.

## High Traffic Areas And / Or If Higher Gloss Preferred

Following a thorough cleaning with a neutral floor cleaner and a rinse with clean water:

- Allow the floor to dry completely.
- Apply three to five coats of a quality commercial floor polish, such as Armstrong S-480 (be sure to allow the floor to dry completely between polish applications, following the manufacturer's instructions)
- Use regular maintenance instructions as listed above, and follow polish manufacturer's instructions.

## Preventative Maintenance

Avoid exposure to excess direct sunlight, which could cause movement and/or discoloration in vinyl flooring. (Blinds/Drapes should be used in these areas.)

Felt floor protectors should be used under furniture legs to help avoid surface scratches and damage. (Glide n' Guard Floor Protectors should be used under all heavy appliances.)

Vacuum/Sweep the floor frequently to ensure grit and dirt are removed to avoid scratching or damaging the flooring surface.

Do not use a vacuum with a beater bar or rotary brush.

Non-staining walk-off mats should be used at entryways.

When moving heavy equipment or appliances, be certain to protect the floor by covering it with hardboard or plywood panels to prevent surface damage.

Do not use a steam mop.