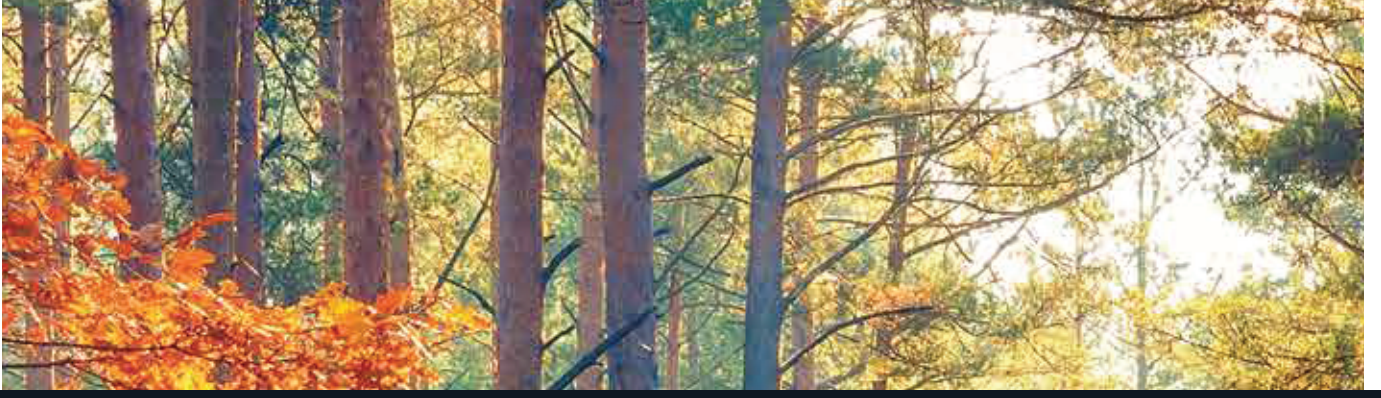




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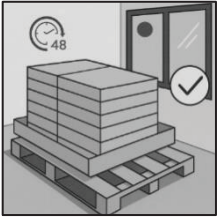
1 Manufacturer

AREA FLOORS ZEMİNİN KAPLAMALARI SANAYİ VE TİCARET ANONİM ŞİRKETİ, Ömerli, İlgaz Sk. NO:7/1, 34275 Arnavutköy/İstanbul a manufacturer of Vinyl SPC, as a vinyl SPC manufacturer, we present this manual to ensure that our customers are well-informed about the proper use, cleaning, and maintenance of the purchased floor coverings.

For detailed warranty terms and conditions, please refer to the warranty certificate.

2 General Information

SPC (Stone Plastic Composite) floors are modern flooring solutions known for their durability and water resistance. This guide provides comprehensive information on the correct use, cleaning, and maintenance of SPC floors.



3 Before Installation

3.1 Curing Time

Before the SPC floor is installed, 24-48 hours should generally be allowed for the surface to fully stabilize. During this time, the floor should not be heavily loaded, humidity or temperature fluctuations should be avoided and the room temperature should be between 15°C and 25°C.

3.2 Storage

Unused flooring materials should be stored in a dry, cool place away from direct sunlight.



4 Daily, Weekly, and Monthly Maintenance

4.1 Sweeping and Vacuuming

Dust and sand particles on the floor surface may cause scratches and should be cleaned daily with a soft bristle broom or vacuum.



4.2 Wet Cleaning

It should be cleaned weekly with a well-wrung damp mop or cloth. pH neutral and chemical-free products should be preferred for cleaning.



4.3 Additional Maintenance

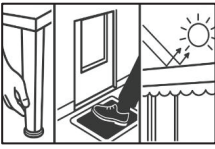
Cleaning frequency can be increased in heavy traffic areas. Excessive use of water may damage the floor.



5 Spot Cleaning

5.1 Stains

Spilled liquids and stains should be cleaned as soon as possible. For difficult stains, cleaners specifically recommended for SPC flooring should be used. Abrasive materials should be avoided.



6 Protection and Usage Tips

- **Furniture Protection:** Furniture legs should be fitted with soft pads and furniture should be lifted rather than dragged.
- **Door Mats:** The use of quality mats in front of the doors prevents dust and moisture from entering.
- **UV Protection:** Prolonged exposure to sunlight may cause fading. Shades or UV filtered glass is recommended.



7 Suitability for Pets

7.1 Claws and Movement

Pet claws, particularly those of dogs, should be trimmed regularly. Untrimmed claws may cause micro-scratches on the flooring surface over time.

7.2 Accidents and Hygiene



If a pet urinates or defecates on the floor, the affected area should be cleaned immediately. Prolonged exposure can cause liquid to seep through joints into the subfloor, potentially leading to swelling or discoloration.

Begin by blotting the liquid with a paper towel. Then, clean the area using a neutral pH cleaner, and ensure the surface is completely dried afterward. For pets undergoing toilet training, the use of temporary floor protectors is strongly recommended.



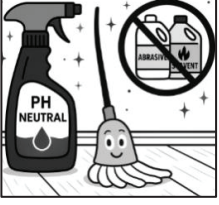
8 Subfloor Conditions for Underfloor Heating

If flooring is to be installed over a surface with underfloor heating, a report confirming the suitability of the surface must be prepared. Compliance with the EN 1264-2 standard (Water-based surface heating and cooling systems – Part 2: Floor heating – Methods for the determination of the thermal output) is required.

When installing flooring over a mildly heated surface, the temperature of the underfloor heating system should be maintained between 18°C and 22°C. During the heating season, the system should be operated within this temperature range for at least 72 hours before, during, and after the installation process.

Sudden or significant changes in temperature can lead to joint deviations and surface lifting. After the installation and designated curing period, the surface temperature during use should not exceed 27°C.

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9 Professional Maintenance and Repair Techniques

Professional maintenance is important to eliminate wear and damage over time. With the right techniques and products, floor life is extended. Serious damages should be repaired by special-

10 Protection Against Scratches and Impacts

Although the floor is durable, sharp or heavy objects can cause scratches and bumps. Pads should be used under furniture and heavy objects should be handled with care.

11 Cleaning Product Selection

pH neutral, chemical-free cleaning products should be selected for SPC floors. Abrasive or solvent-based products cause damage. Manufacturer recommendations should be followed.