## Care and Repair

Quick Step Studio laminate floors, like other fine furnishings in your home, require proper care to keep them looking their best. When you follow our easy cleaning and maintenance instructions, you'll find taking care of your Quick Step Studio laminate floor a snap!

## Regular Maintenance

The surface layer of Quick Step Studio laminate flooring is hard and compact, so dirt and dust do not adhere to it easily. The following simple steps are usually all it takes to keep your floor clean.

- For general cleaning, use a dust mop or vacuum with the correct hard surface attachment of your vacuum cleaner.
- For heavier cleaning, occasionally damp mop with water only. Lightly spray water onto the mop, not directly onto the floor. **DO NOT** pour liquid directly on floor or use an excessively wet mop that will puddle or leave moisture standing on the floor. No wet mopping.
- If needed, use a solution of 1 cup of vinegar per gallon of water OR 1/3 cup non-sudsing ammonia per gallon of water.
- **DO NOT** use detergents, abrasive cleaners, soaps, waxes or polishes. There is never a need to wax or refinish your Quick Step Studio laminate floor.
- DO NOT use rotating beater bars, floor scrubbers, steamers, jet mops, buffers or similar products.

## Protect the Floor

While Quick Step Studio laminate is remarkably durable, there is of course no such thing as an indestructible flooring material. There are a few simple protective measures that are important to keep your floor looking new.

- To protect your Quick Step Studio laminate floor from surface scratches, place walk-off area rugs or mats inside any exterior doorway to collect small bits of gravel that may track in on shoes.
- Use felt floor protectors on the legs of chairs, sofas, TV stands, tables and other easily movable furniture.
- Replace plastic or metal casters on chairs with rubber wheels and lift rather than slide heavy objects across the floor.
- Minor damage to a Quick Step Studio laminate plank can be easily repaired with color matched finishing putty. If the damaged area is larger than 1/4 of an inch, we recommend contacting a professional to replace an entire plank.

## Spot Removal

Quick Step Studio laminate stain resistance means peace of mind for you and easy clean up. So, when the inevitable happens, use the following guide for stain and spot removal:

- For chocolate, grease, juice, cordials and wine use lukewarm water and a non-abrasive cleaner (such as, ammonia and water).
- For tar, markers, crayon, lipstick, oil, shoe polish, ink, nail polish and cigarette burns use acetone/nail polish remover or denatured alcohol. *Note:* **DO NOT** use acetone on wallbase or quarter round.
- For candle wax and chewing gum let harden and scrape carefully with a blunt plastic scraper.