



Making Dream Surfaces Attainable

Porcelain/Ceramic Care and Maintenance

What is Porcelain/Ceramic?

Versatile, affordable and elegant, porcelain and ceramic surfaces are innovative products that are gaining popularity amongst homeowners, builders and interior designers. Created from super-fine clay and fired at a high temperature (higher temperature in case of porcelain tiles), the surfaces are dense and tough enough to stand up to today's demanding applications both indoors and out. Available surfaces come in a range of glazed/unglazed, highly glossy/refined and in rough textures, not only to emulate natural stones, but bring a contemporary or modern feel to any scene.

Daily Maintenance

Both porcelain and ceramic tiles are easy to clean and require low maintenance.

Following are some of the common guidelines for day to day maintenance of ceramic/porcelain surfaces :

- Remove all debris using an untreated dust mop, soft bristle broom or vacuum
- Follow by damp mopping with clean warm water
- On polished surfaces, dust mop floors frequently in order to avoid surface abrasion from the grit of the dust particles

Guidelines for Day-to-Day Maintenance of Ceramic/Porcelain Wall Tiles:

General Cleaning Tips:

- Remove any loose debris using a soft-bristle brush, an untreated microfiber cloth, or a vacuum with a soft attachment.
- Wipe down the surface with a damp sponge or cloth using clean warm water.
- For polished surfaces, clean frequently to avoid surface abrasion caused by dust or debris.

For Moderately Soiled Wall Tiles:

- Use a neutral cleaner to gently scrub the surface.
- Avoid using cleaning solutions that contain oils, fats, or acids, as these may damage the tiles.
- Follow the cleaner manufacturer's instructions for proper application and dilution.
- Allow the cleaner to effectively suspend dirt for easy removal.

For Heavily Soiled Wall Tiles:

- Test on a small, inconspicuous area first.
- Use a natural-bristle brush, a nylon scrubbing pad, or an appropriate cleaning tool to target stubborn stains.
- Apply a degreaser if needed, particularly in areas exposed to oils or grime.
- Thoroughly rinse with clean warm water using a sponge or cloth.

Note - The suggestions mentioned above are for general practice. In case of a particular project, it is recommended that a professional installer/fabricator/restorer is consulted. It is also recommended that cleaning solutions are tried in an isolated area to check for desired results. MSI disclaims any liability towards the use of any care & maintenance products.