

# ALUMAT ENTRANCE MATS - MAINTENANCE GUIDE

Alumat entrance mats are designed to scrape and contain dirt from footwear, as well as moisture. The rigid ribbed infills both scrape shoes and help prevent dirt reattaching to foot wear. To preserve the life expectancy of the mats, as well as to maintain effectiveness a few simple cleaning steps must be observed.

## DAILY CLEANING

Vacuum clean the entrance mat. This will remove incoming dirt while it is on the surface. If left, grit and other contaminates will become imbedded within the ribbed pile infills making removal more difficult.

### PERIODIC CLEANING

Depending on the location of the mat and traffic intensity, additional periodic cleaning will be required. Alumat mats are robust and can be steam cleaned using conventional spray extraction carpet cleaning equipment. It can be safely scrubbed when required and rinsed clean. Depending on the size and shape of the mat, it may be cleaned in situ, or removed to clean elsewhere.

#### STAINING AND SOILING

Most stains can be removed by using conventional carpet cleaning products.

For heavy soiled or contaminated infill strips, and easier option is to replace the affected infills. Alumat can on request supply ready cut strips and adhesive.

#### **INFILL REPLACEMENT**

Alumat recommends consideration be given to infill replacement at the end of the mat's life, rather than total mat replacement if possible. If the aluminium frames are sound, this is a more economical option and will return the mats to looking like new. To encourage this process, Alumat use only exterior grade anodised aluminium frames. All frames may be suitable for replacing infills, and some, our HD range, are guaranteed to be suitable for replacement if correctly installed for a period of 10 year to 20 years. (See guarantee below) Alumat can supply infill replacement kits for total replacement, or can carry out the work for you.

#### WHERE TO INSTALL?

Alumat mats must be installed on a flat supportive surface. All of our range of mats can be placed in inside, or sheltered exterior situations. Our range of draining mats including AL10 D, AL10 HD DW, and 'AL15 HDD PLUS' carry greater amounts of water and can safely be used in exterior locations as well.

#### **PROTECT YOUR MATS**

Entrance mats are made for large volumes of foot traffic and light weight trolleys. If the area is to be subjected to extra heavy loads, ensure they are adequately protected.

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