

CERAMIC TILE CARE & MAINTENANCE GUIDE

Welcome to your new home! At Sposen Signature Homes, we believe that high-quality finishes deserve proper care to maintain their beauty. This guide is designed to help you care for your ceramic tile surfaces, ensuring they remain beautiful and durable for years to come.



Regular Maintenance

- **Dust and Debris Removal:** Sweep or vacuum floors regularly to eliminate dirt and grit that can scratch the tile surface.
- **Mopping:** Use a damp mop with a mild, pH-neutral all-purpose cleaner suitable for ceramic tiles.
- **Application Tools:** Employ a cotton mop, cloth, sponge, or non-metallic brush to apply and agitate the cleaner.
- **Rinsing:** After cleaning, rinse the area with clean water and dry thoroughly to prevent film formation.

Important Notes:

- Avoid cleaners containing harsh chemicals, acids, or ammonia, as these can damage the tile surface and discolor grout.
- Do not use abrasive tools like steel wool or scouring pads, which can scratch the tile.



Grout Care

- **Routine Cleaning:** Clean grout lines with a soap brush and a pH-neutral cleaner to prevent discoloration and buildup.
- **Deep Cleaning:** For stubborn stains, use a professional-strength tile and grout cleaner, ensuring it's safe for ceramic surfaces.
- **Sealing:** Consider applying a grout sealer to protect against moisture and stains, following the manufacturer's recommendations.

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Preventative Measures

- **Door Mats:** Place mats at entryways to reduce the amount of dirt and grit tracked onto tile surfaces.
- **Furniture Protection:** Use protective pads under furniture legs to prevent scratching.
- **Spill Management:** Wipe up spills promptly to avoid staining, especially on light-colored tiles



Stain Removal Tips

- **General Stains:** Clean with a mild detergent and warm water.
- **Grease:** Use a mixture of club soda and water or a non-abrasive cleaner.
- **Ink or Dye:** Apply a cloth soaked in diluted bleach, then rinse thoroughly.
- **Hard Water Stains:** Use a paste of baking soda and water; avoid vinegar on unglazed tiles.

Always test any cleaning solution on a small, inconspicuous area first.



Additional Resources

For more detailed information on tile care, visit Daltille's official guide:
[How to Care for and Maintain Ceramic Tile](#)