

## Surface iQ Maintenance Instructions

Proper care and routine maintenance of your wallcovering will safeguard your investment. Care taken will preserve its original beauty and finish, thereby extending its useful life. Surface iQ Wallcoverings are finished with Aqua-Clear 2.6 protective topcoat for enhanced cleaning and washing ability.

The following general cleaning instructions should serve as a guide for normal maintenance practices.

It is strongly recommended that a test cleaning be performed in an inconspicuous area before subjecting the surface to any cleaner or solvent.

### **General Cleaning**

Ordinary dirt and smudges can be removed by using a mild soap and warm water. If necessary a soft bristle brush may be used to remove dirt from textured patterns. Clean from the bottom of the wall upward and allow to soak for several minutes. Rinse thoroughly from the top of the wall down using clean water and a clean sponge (change rinse water often). To dry Surface iQ wallcovering use a soft, lint free cloth or towel. Repeat, if necessary.

### **Special Cleaning**

For more difficult stains that are only surface deep, use a detergent such as Fantastic, Formula 409 or similar non-abrasive household cleaner. To remove ball point pen ink use isopropyl (rubbing) alcohol on a soft cloth. Limit exposure to alcohol to reduce chances of damage. Stains should be removed as quickly as possible to eliminate any possible reaction between the cleaning agent and wallcovering. Timeliness is especially important for removing stains that contain colorants or solvents such as ball point ink, lipstick, etc. Rub soiled area “gently” from the outside edge towards the center to prevent further spreading of the stain.

### **Sanitizing Care**

We recommend either a diluted solution (5%) of chlorine bleach in water or Clorox® Clean-Up for sanitizing purposes. It is important to limit the set time and dry the surface after sanitization is complete.

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Never use abrasive cleansers, sharp objects, or steel wool as they can permanently mar the surface. Do not use solvents such as nail polish remover as they can remove and damage the topcoat finish.

**NOTE NEVER MIX CLEANING AGENTS TOGETHER – VIOLENT REACTIONS CAN OCCUR.**