

Laminate Splashback

Installation & Maintenance Instructions



Cleaning

For general cleaning gently wipe the surface using either a damp cloth or sponge with a mild detergent or non-abrasive cleaner diluted in warm water. It is important to avoid using abrasive scouring powders, creams or polishes. It is always advisable to wipe off any spillages immediately. Persistent stains should be treated with white spirit. Whilst the surface will resist most household foodstuffs, including coffee and red wine, certain items such as shoe polish, dyes and nail varnish will stain. Gloss splashbacks need extra care to maintain the surface finish, wiping any inclusions will cause scratching of the surface (see table overleaf for full cleaning guidance).



Heat Resistance

Never place hot pans, dishes or objects from the oven or hob directly in contact with the laminate surface, this may lead to blistering or cracking. Care should also be taken with hot irons and cigarettes.



Impact Resistance

The laminate surface is resistant to impact and has been tested to EN 438 part 2. Any objects with sharp edges may cause surface damage.

Product Guarantee

This product has been manufactured to demanding high quality standards and should last many years provided that the splashback is installed and used in accordance with the care and maintenance instructions.

Typically manufacturing defects are visible on inspection or manifest during / soon after installation. Where a splashback can be shown to have failed by reason of manufacturing defect (subject to wear and tear), we will always consider each claim within its own merit in conjunction with your statutory rights.

High gloss splashbacks are not included in this guarantee due to their surface performance characteristics.

Laminates are produced to a predetermined colour tolerance, however slight variations may occur. All splashbacks should be thoroughly checked for colour match prior to cutting or installation. High gloss laminates are more prone to scratching than textures and therefore require extra care and attention during fabrication, installation and use.

Manufacturer reserves the right to determine what remedy is required - repair and/or replacement of worktops.

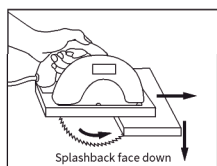
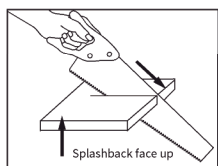
Manufacturer reserves the right to request proof of date and place of purchase to support any submitted claim.

Cutting

Measure your splashback and use a soft pencil on the laminate surface. If you do not wish to mark the laminate surface then put masking tape down first and mark on the tape. This will also help on dark colours to make sure the pencil line is visible. Mark the face if cutting with a handsaw or the back if using a power saw and always double check your measurements before cutting. Remember to allow for any edging to be added.

NOTE: Use appropriate safety equipment such as face mask and eye protection while performing any cutting. Ensure all pieces, including off cuts, are adequately supported.

When using a handsaw the decorative face should be uppermost, keeping the saw at a low angle to ensure the best cut. Ensure that your saw is sharp and well set and has 10/12 teeth per inch. When using an electric saw you should cut the splashback face down.



Edging

Always ensure the cut is flat, clean and dust free.

To apply a laminate edge use an appropriate adhesive such as contact adhesive (always refer to the manufactures instructions in the first instance) and use a small paint brush to apply 2 coats of the adhesive, 1 to the cut edge and 1 to the edging strip. Allow to dry for 15-20 minutes then apply the edging to the splashback using as much pressure as possible. Use a dry cloth or J roller to avoid cutting from any sharp edges on the laminate. Wipe off any excess adhesive immediately with a damp cloth. Once fully bonded the edging strip can be trimmed using a laminate trimmer then lightly bevel the edges with a sharp plane or fine file to remove any overhanging laminate.

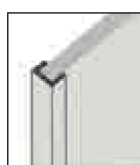
Edging accessories can be utilised as an alternative to applying laminate edging. Accessories available are as illustrated below;



Butt Joint



Corner Joint



End Joint

To install, measure & cut the appropriate accessory with a hacksaw and file the edge until smooth.

Place a bead of silicone into the recess of the accessory and push home onto the splashback.

NOTE: Edging accessories are available from most large DIY retail stores.

Installing

NOTE: Laminate edging should be applied before fixing the splashback to the wall while splashback accessories should be used accordingly throughout the installation.

NOTE: All surfaces that are not laminated must be sealed with silicone sealant before final fixing.

NOTE: For installations behind a hob please refer to the hob manufacturers guidelines for fitting suitability and requirements.

When fixing the splashback apply a bead of silicone to the wall and back of the splashback, pressing down to ensure the silicone is squeezed out. Wipe off any excess silicone immediately with a damp cloth. You may need to push into place if the wall is running off square and hold in place with clamps until the silicone has set. Once the silicon is set installation is complete.

Cleaning & General Maintenance

General Household Products	Dry Cloth/Duster	Damp Cloth	Warm water & Detergents	Non-abrasive cleaner	White Spirit	Nail Polish Remover
Dust/Light Dirt	✓					
Soap Residue		✓	✓	✓		
Shoe Polish					✓	
Biro or Pen			✓	✓		
Wax Crayon					✓	
Bleach		✓	✓	✓		
Lipstick			✓	✓		
Nail Varnish						✓
Dyes - washable			✓	✓		
Dyes - permanent					✓	✓
Food Stuffs						
Coffee		✓	✓	✓		
Tea		✓	✓	✓		
Milk		✓	✓	✓		
Fruit Juice		✓	✓	✓		
Red Wine		✓	✓	✓		
Vinegar		✓	✓	✓		
Lemon Juice		✓	✓	✓		
Vegetable Oil		✓	✓	✓		
Beetroot		✓	✓	✓		
Curry		✓	✓	✓		
Others						
Nicotine			✓	✓		
Paint - water based			✓	✓		
Paint - solvent based					✓	
Blood			✓	✓		
Fingermarks		✓	✓	✓		

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