

STEAM CLEANING – RESIDENTIAL FLOOR COVERING

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Tarkett would not recommend steam cleaning of our Rhinofloor products for the following reasons:

- Over application of heat and steam may cause delamination of the vinyl product (the layers may separate).
- If the product is fully adhered or perimeter stuck the heat generated from steam cleaning can cause the adhesive to fail.
- The heat over time may soften the surface wear layer of the product causing damage.
- The heat generated from steam cleaning can cause the vinyl to expand and the product to bubble up from the subfloor.
- The heat and pressure generated by the steam cleaner can cause the edge joints of the material to curl.

Unfortunately there is no conclusive test data available at this time as to the extremes of heat and pressure that most steam cleaning machines will run to and until these are available we cannot condone their use on our vinyl flooring products.