**Care & Maintenance**

**After Install**

- If work activity will take place in the room where the floor is installed, protect with craft paper, plywood or hardboard.

- Do not drag furniture across the floor, use felt pads on chair and furniture legs.

- Place quality walk-off mats at all entrances to retain tracked in dirt, grit and moisture, never use latex or rubber backed mats as they can permanently stain the floor.

- Avoid moisture on the floor.

- Ideal and proper room conditions are 35-65% relative humidity at 68°F. If necessary use a humidifier/dehumidifier to manage the relative humidity level on a consistent basis.

- Cork, as a natural material, tends to fade when exposed to sunlight. Use blinds, curtains or other sun screening systems to minimize this effect.

- Cork flooring products are based on natural materials, and will expand and contract through heating and non-heating seasons, thus experiencing some separation between the planks/tiles at different times during the year. Such separations are not considered a product defect.

- Heavy Furniture (500+ lbs.) may obstruct the free, natural movement of a floated floor. Restricting this movement in certain areas can lead to problems such as buckling or separation when the floor experiences natural expansion and/or contraction.

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- Cali Bamboo® recommends you vacuum or sweep the floor on a regular basis or as needed to remove dirt, sand or grit.

- Soak up spills immediately using a dry towel or dry mop.

- For general cleaning, use Bona Pro Hardwood Floor Cleaner & Bona Pro Hardwood Floor Mop.

- Fit furniture legs with felt tips or protective caps. Fix rolling furniture with soft rubber casters. Pick up heavy furniture or appliances; do not slide.

- Keep pets nails trimmed to avoid excess scratching.

- Limit direct sunlight on floor by using curtains and blinds in areas that are exposed to high UV rays.

- Never wet-mop a cork floor. Standing water may cause permanent damage.

- Never use any of the following products on your floor: ammonia-based cleaners, mineral spirits, acrylic finishes, wax-based products, detergents, bleach, polishes, oil soap, abrasive cleaning soaps, or acidic materials such as vinegar. Never apply wax treatments to your floor.

- Use interior and exterior doormats at entrances to prevent dirt and moisture from being tracked onto the floor.

- Area rugs are also recommended in front of kitchen sinks and in high traffic areas.

- Do not use rugs with solid rubber or vinyl backings. Rugs must be made of a breathable material to prevent moisture entrapment. We recommend using a breathable rug underlay. Mesh or grid patterns are best.