

CALI[®] turf



CALI turf The Pebble Beach

Care & Maintenance

(888) 788-2254
CALIfloors.com

CALI® Care & Maintenance Guidelines | Turf

General Care

- Remove any leaves, weeds, and debris as soon as possible.
- Periodically brush or rake the turf to prevent the fibers from flattening. There may be areas of the landscape that might not stand as tall due to extra foot traffic. Simply use a broom or turf rake to brush the natural grain and help each blade stand up.
- If using a leaf blower or leaf vacuum to remove leaves, ensure the turf infill material is not blown or vacuumed.
- Keeping the turf clean will prevent weed growth. Weeds can be easily removed by plucking, brushing, or raking the turf. Ensure weeds are removed before they take root, especially along the edges of the turf.
- A number of environmentally friendly products that kill algae, moss, and weeds directly can be purchased at home improvement and garden centers. If the product instructions are followed carefully, the artificial turf will not be damaged.
- Turf cleaner or a 1:1 vinegar-water mixture can be used if needed.
- Do not use solvents on the turf as they may cause damage.
- Pet urine and dropping will not discolor turf, but care should be taken to keep the turf clean to prevent odor build up. Periodically rinse the turf with water and remove droppings before they are trodden into the lawn. Ensure the droppings are not pushed down into the base of the grass, which will make removal more difficult.
- Periodically add more infill as needed.

Repairs

- To prevent pet odor, add Envirofill with Microban to the turf. Microban helps eliminate odor by stopping the urea from converting to carbon dioxide.
- If the turf has already developed an odor, clean the turf with an enzyme cleaner like ProVet Logic Kennel and Turf Care to help deodorize, then install Envirofill to prevent the odor from coming back.
- Avoid spilling chloride directly on the turf. CALI Turf has no polyamide fibers (PA), so pool water with chlorine will not damage the turf. However, undiluted chloride could potentially cause the turf to change color and become more brittle.
- Avoid placing machines that get hot (lawn mowers, weed eaters, etc.) directly on the turf to keep the turf from melting or becoming oily/greasy.
- Fire and hot objects (barbeques, fire pits, weed eaters, etc.) should be kept away from artificial turf. CALI Turf is made of high-quality synthetic materials that do not burn but will melt when in direct contact with fire and hot objects. Fire pits should not be placed directly on top of the turf.
- Remove any spilled food and rinse off spilled beverages. If chewing gum gets on the turf, carefully remove with a spoon. This will be made easier by putting some ice cubes on the spot first which will help harden the gum.
- Cold, snow, and frost will not damage the turf. Use a plastic snow shovel to remove snow (metal snow shovels can damage the synthetic fibers more easily). If snow is walked over and forms a layer of ice, this should not be removed by hand in order to prevent damage to the turf fibers. In this case, let the snow/ice melt naturally. Salt can be used but only in small amounts. Salt residue can remain on the carpet backing and frequent use can interfere with lawn drainage.
- If a heavy item like an inflatable swimming pool or flowerpot is placed on the turf, the fibers will flatten. When the heavy item is removed, use a turf rake or a broom with firm bristles to brush the fibers back up. Remember to brush against the natural pile direction. Note: Over time, it's possible the imprint may remain visible.
- Areas without sufficient drainage may result in mold/mildew build up. Mold/mildew can be rinsed off the turf but may continue to appear unless the drainage issue is fixed.

Repairs

Fortunately, repairs are not often needed, but CALI Turf can be repaired if damaged. The greatest risk is posed by heat, causing spots of turf to melt. If this occurs, simply cut out the damaged piece of turf and replace with a new piece. Use turf stakes and seam tape (if the area is large enough) to secure the repaired spots. The newly installed turf may look different from the repaired spot, even when it's from the same lot. However, just like carpet repairs, over time the difference will become less obvious.