

# LIVIN THE DOG LIFE™



## K9 Grass™

### Maintenance Guidelines - Indoor Installation



#### General Guidelines

Congratulations on your new K9Grass! While maintenance needs with K9Grass are much lower than with many other surfaces, proper maintenance will ensure many years of pet-friendly play. The following guidelines are to assist in determining the necessary level of maintenance for your installation.

#### Grooming

The turf should be occasionally groomed with a stiff bristled rubber push broom or plastic grass rake. For larger areas, a power broom may be used. This will help the blades to stand upright. Areas of heavy traffic may require more attention than other areas.

It is also recommended that hair build up be monitored and a hair removal process periodically takes place. Frequency will be based on the number of dogs and the degree to which they shed. This can be accomplished with a power broom, plastic rake, or a rubber bristle broom.

#### Periodic Cleaning

Since K9Grass is made of non-absorbent polyethylene fibers and contains antimicrobial AlphaSan®, the concerns for staining and housing of odors and bacteria are minimal.

Solid waste should be removed and disposed of immediately and soiled areas rinsed regularly. Required frequency of cleaning will be based on multiple variables. Factors such as the number of dogs, the type of use (play or elimination), as well as personal preference should all be considered. Rinsing will remove residue from the blades and will rinse the floor surface. A commercial disinfectant (as well as an optional odor neutralizer) should also be used to clean the floor and underlayment material. With indoor applications, air humidity levels and airflow can greatly affect drying times, so these factors should also be considered when determining the frequency of cleanings.

Installation and periodic use of a flushing system is highly recommended. The floor typically does not contain antimicrobial properties. It is recommended to apply cleaning solutions and water to disinfect and rinse the floor. Frequency will be a function of the factors listed above.

Most cleaning products are safe to use with K9Grass. However, any agent that contains bleach in a solution of greater than 1:20 should not be used. (A 1:32 ratio of bleach to water is sufficient to neutralize Parvo virus). It is recommended that any cleaning product be applied in a small test area first.

The following is a list of known cleaners used by ForeverLawn K9Grass customers:

- Demolish
- Triple 2
- KennelSol
- ParvoSol
- Bleach (no stronger than 20:1)
- Nature's Miracle
- Puppy Love
- Simple Solutions
- Odor Mute
- Eliminator
- Stench and Stain Digester
- Buckeye Watchdog
- White Distilled Vinegar and Water

#### Other Guidelines

A brush and/or sweeper should be used to remove dirt or debris, which may accumulate on the turf as a result of use. This can be accomplished with a leaf blower, leaf vacuum, grass rake, or push broom.

Sunflower seeds, chewing gum, tobacco products or other foreign substances should not be used on, or dropped on the grass. If such products get on the grass surface, they should be removed immediately. Fireworks, sparklers and other flammable items can damage the grass. These should not be used or set off on the grass surface.

Use of equipment (other than a broom, power broom, bristle/rubber broom, plastic rake, leaf blower or water hose) such as vacuum sweepers, or heaters is acceptable, but potential damage shall be at the risk of the user. Additionally, motorized vehicles should be used with caution. ForeverLawn is not responsible for damage caused by such equipment.

For additional questions or comments regarding the care and maintenance of your ForeverLawn, please contact your local authorized ForeverLawn dealer.

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