



## Care & Maintenance

### General Cleaning

Regular cleaning can be accomplished by simply washing the mats with mild soap and water and a medium to stiff bristled brush. Boat washing soap or other mild detergent, water and a hose works well. Although is stain resistant, certain things, such as food, wine, fish blood or grease may stain the mats if they are left in contact for an extended period of time. It is always best to clean or rinse away any spills as soon as possible. Work the cleaner into the stain with a stiff bristle brush, brushing with the grain texture, and rinse with a hose to finish.

### SUGGESTED CLEANERS

- Simple Green®
- Soft Scrub®
- Fantastic®
- Formula 409®

Bleach may be used, but avoid any acid-based cleaners

### Things to Avoid

- Sharp objects such as knives or tools dragged across the surface.
- Pressure washing due to the risk of shredding, or cutting the mats.
- Extended contact with petroleum based products. This can cause a stain that may not be able to be removed.



### Storage

EVA foam is very resistant to most weather conditions and is designed to be in the elements while being used. It is however best to keep your boat, kayak or other vehicle covered or stored indoors while not being used to extend the life of your mats. MarineMat should be treated and cared for the same way you care for vinyl marine seats, carpet or other floor coverings. Excessive continuous exposure to sunlight and water will decrease the life of your mats.

### Material Note

EVA foam has a memory. If you notice an indent in the mats when you remove your cover from the support pole or any other area where something with some weight has been sitting for an extended period, that mat will rebound over a short period of time back to its original shape.

### Focused Refracted Light

Much like a magnifying glass certain things on a boat can cause focused light which can cause blushing or burning of the surface on your. This is a very rare occurrence while actually using the boat, but if you leave your boat on a dock, lift or trailer and the sun is at the correct angle this can occur. The best way to avoid this is to cover the boat when you are not using it or in the case of the Snap-it Series Mats, remove them. If this happens to your mats they are not ruined. The damage usually looks like a wet spot (a little darker) and over time this will blend or weather back into the rest of the mat area and become less noticeable.