

CHECKLIST

FOR OPTIMAL CARPET LIFECYCLE MAINTENANCE

1	When selecting the carpet, you took into account that the attribute "easy to maintain" does not mean that no dirt will subsequently be brought into the building. You are aware that certain types of staining may be difficult to remove.	
2	The carpet design was selected with the understanding that an appropriately tailored maintenance programme will be required in order to maintain an optimum appearance over time.	
3	You have checked whether the intensive cleaning method best suited to your flooring system is compatible with your environmental guidelines. You are aware that resource conservation and REUSE can already be influenced at the flooring selection stage.	
4	What drying time does the building's subsequent operational schedule allow for intensive cleaning? Is the selected carpet compatible with the expected conditions – e.g. needlefelt or Kugelgarn-type flooring requiring a minimum drying time of 24 hours when using a combination cleaning method?	
5	The future building user's budget provides for the measures required to ensure optimal carpet maintenance in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.	
6	Comprehensive advice on the future care and cleaning of the carpet has been arranged for the subsequent building user.	
7	A sufficiently large entrance matting system – permanently installed where appropriate – has been incorporated into the planning.	
8	If the carpet is installed during the construction phase, provisions have been made in advance for complete and professional protection of the carpet.	
9	If the level of soiling after the construction phase requires more than routine post-construction cleaning – i.e. intensive cleaning – you will not simply choose the "cheapest" service provider, but will appoint a specialist contractor who ensures that the carpet is handed over free from chemical residues.	
10	Once the building is in use, the specification for the routine cleaning service provider includes daily spot removal using residue-free products as well as consistent brush vacuuming. Arrangements have been made to ensure that the personnel carrying out the daily carpet maintenance are instructed in accordance with the manufacturer's cleaning recommendations.	
11	You are aware that carpet requires regular intensive cleaning by a specialist contractor, at least once a year. The future building user has been informed of this requirement from the outset, understands the reasons behind this maintenance recommendation and has initiated the necessary measures.	