

# Care and Maintenance

## 1. Regular Cleaning with a pitchfork

- 1-3 times per week (depending on usage)
- Smooth the surface and remove any irregularities.
- Avoid ripples and hard areas.

**Important: Do not dig too deep, the structure will be damaged!**

## 2. Moisture Control

- In cases of extreme dryness, lightly water the arena.
- Aim: minimal dust, but not soggy.
- Black carpet fibre usually retains moisture well.

## 3. Check Compaction

- Check the floor regularly.
- Too soft and loose → compact lightly.
- Too hard → loosen (superficially!).
- Balance is crucial for protecting the joints.

## 4. Maintain Material uniformly

- Distribute the carpet fibre evenly as needed.
- Smooth the edges regularly.
- Do not allow the fibers to bunch up.

## 5. Check drainage

- Water must drain properly.
- Puddles are a warning sign!
- Check the drainage or slope if necessary.

## 6. Remove debris

- Regularly remove manure, leaves, and stones.
- This prevents loss of quality.

**"Light, regular maintenance is better than infrequent but intensive intervention."**