

Product Backing Differences

After rigorous testing, we have chosen to make our living and garage/cargo mats using different backings. We have found that utilizing the foam backing for the living area is optimum as it offers greater comfort (especially while barefoot). However, the foam-backing has a "memory" to it that results in small (temporary) indentations appearing when miscellaneous objects are placed on it for extended periods of time. We have opted to utilize latex backing for the garage/cargo area as it is better able to withstand items being placed on it without leaving indentations.

Regardless of the backing type, the surface material remains the same and performs beautifully. When caring for your mats, the biggest difference between the latex-backed and foam-backed materials is the required dry time. If the mats become excessively dirty and require washing (either by hosing them off or lightly pressure washing them), the garage/cargo latex section will take longer to dry as this backing retains more moisture than the foam-backing. We recommend hanging up both types of mats after cleaning to facilitate quicker dry times. The latex-backed flooring takes approximately 24 hours to dry, and the foam-backed flooring takes just a few hours (depending on drying conditions). NEVER place mats back in your vehicle unless they are COMPLETELY dry!

Thank you for purchasing Inhabit Design Works floor coverings.