

HINTS FOR HOMEOWNERS

Finding Family-Friendly Floors

(NAPSA)—There's good news for parents who want a home renovation that's stylish and kid-friendly. High-tech materials now give today's homeowners more family-friendly options than ever before.

For example, spills, scratches and tracked-in dirt—hallmarks of many childhoods, but not of beautiful flooring—are no longer problems for a number of today's floors made with new luxury vinyl.

Many of the new vinyls were designed to be tough enough for daily living (even in-line skates won't rip, tear or gouge many of them) yet stylish enough to fit into most decorating schemes.

The flooring is available in ceramic, slate and stone looks that are realistic and textured (making them difficult to distinguish from the real thing)—and they can be cleaned with soap and water. Additionally, homeowners can find new vinyls that look and feel like wood floors, yet require little maintenance and no refinishing, waxing or buffing.

“Parents no longer have to settle for brown carpeting to help hide dirt and stains,” says Kathy Holdridge, of Nafco, a leading luxury vinyl brand. “Updated luxury



Luxury vinyl's advanced wearlayers protect floors and keep them looking new.

vinyl designs look beautiful, and new protective wearlayers, such as Tritonite, prevent scratches and scuffs and repel dirt.”

Holdridge says floors such as Nafco are designed to be less noisy when walked on (good for quieting the pitter-patter of little feet), moisture resistant (for all those accidental spills) and even to hold less allergens (that can be helpful for children with asthma).

For more information on luxury vinyl flooring, visit www.nafco.com or call 1-800-248-5574.