

What Should I Do If I Found Molds?

It is recommended to dry the products in the shade (avoiding direct sunlight). Igusa is constantly absorbing or releasing moisture in the air. As materials with this type of function are rarely used in housings lately, moisture accumulate easily, leading to high humidity. Constant high humidity can result in igusa products over-absorbing moisture.

Spores of molds are widely present in every corner of our living spaces. When igusa products have absorbed too much moisture, the spores will start to grow into molds.

When molds occur, please dry the igusa products in the shade for about 2 hours in well-ventilated spaces. Then lightly hit the product with a brush, etc. along the texture of igusa to wipe off the molds.

How to Store Igusa Products When Not Using?

Please keep the product in a dry place.

After drying the product in the shade, brush the product along the texture of igusa with a soft brush. Fold the product, cover the surface with stuff like newspapers, and store it away in a dry place (2nd floor, etc.) avoiding sunlight.

Although molds are rarely found in old igusa products, they can easily grow on new igusa products. The reason may be that new igusa products have the vital nutrients for the growth of molds.



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Care Instructions for The "Igusa" Rush Grass Products

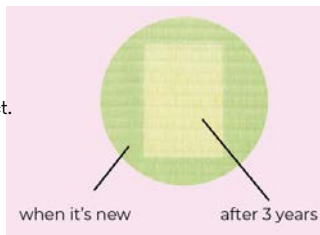
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Before Use

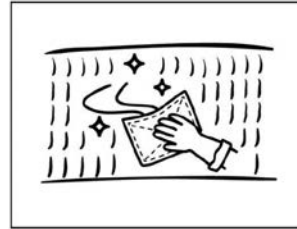
Dyeing soil is widely used in manufacturing igusa products to preserve the luster and texture of igusa. Meanwhile, the production of patterned igusa products involves dyes as well. Thus, **please gently wipe the surface of igusa products with dry towels 2 to 3 times before use** to get rid of the residuals of dyeing soil, resin, and dyes that are not completely absorbed by igusa fibers. (The dyeing soil, resin, and dyes are harmless substances.)

***Caution:** Wiping forcefully or using damp cloths can result in the absorbed dyes, dyeing soil or resin being wiped off, which in turn will cause color unevenness and discoloration. Igusa products are folded during transportation, so there usually are creases when first using. The creases will gradually disappear during use, as they are not caused by falling or injuries. Stretch the carpet and fasten with carpet pins, etc. and it is ready to use.

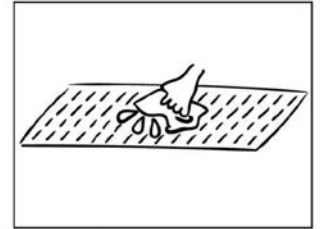
Color of Igusa products gradually changes from light green to a golden beige. This is a natural process and does not affect function of the product. If you want to avoid partial color change, rotate and reposition the product occasionally.



Daily Maintenance



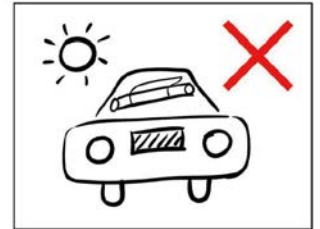
1. Please make sure to wipe the "igusa" (the woven rush) side with dry cloth before first use.



2. Wipe with tissue when spilled with liquid. Also, make sure to wipe off any sweat after use.



3. Dry the mat in the shade regularly when weather permits for about 2 hrs.



4. Avoid leaving the mat in the car (or anywhere subject to direct sunlight).

Compared to synthetic fibers, natural Igusa are more prone to cutting due to their natural characteristics. It may also have cuts caused by friction during the production process. This is not a defective product, but is known as "ikire. If fibers are sticking out, they can be easily cut with scissors or nail clippers.

