

PROTECTAGROUP I
TEMPORARY PROTECTION SOLUTIONS

6 WAYS TO PROTECT STAIRS DURING CONSTRUCTION OR FIT OUT WORKS



There are several reasons why stairs are often vulnerable on construction sites:

1. They WILL be used. Unlike a room with new flooring that can be closed off to prevent use, stairs must be used by the construction team. They are often the only way to get from floor to floor, so foot traffic is inevitable, as well as the movement of equipment and materials.
2. Stairs are usually one of the first installations on a building project, as they help it to run more smoothly and provide easy access from floor to floor. This means they will see a lot of use from the start to finish of work.
3. Due to their structure, staircases leave edges vulnerable to damage from foot traffic and items carried between floors

It therefore makes sense to protect your stairs with a suitable solution for the duration of your project. It will minimise the risk of damage, protect your reputation and potentially save you money.

There are several stair protection options. Which option you choose depends on several key factors:

- The length of time protection is needed.
- The material the stairs are finished in and whether they are indoor or outdoor stairs.
- The expected amount of foot traffic and other activity.

Here are six industry-leading stair protection options:

1. PROTECTA FLEECE (SELF ADHESIVE)



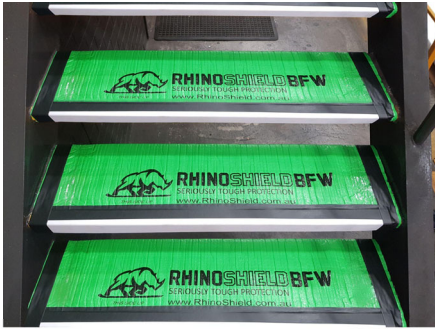
Protecta self-adhesive fleece has a tacky anti-slip underside, so it will stay in place on your stairs without slipping. It is soft, non-abrasive, and will not scuff or scratch hard stair surface. It has a fully water-resistant top layer, so it will also protect from moisture or spills. It is very flexible, making it easy to fit around stair treads and nosings, making it an excellent choice for protecting any type of stairs.

2. PROTECTA FLUTE STAIR PROTECTOR



This product provides quick, effective, and durable protection for stairs. The protectors are pre-formed at 5mm thick and are designed to cover and protect both treads and risers. They are the first choice for many Australian construction professionals, as they are lightweight, water-resistant, tough, and easy to cut to size. Their durability also makes them reusable, which reduces projects costs. For enhanced safety, anti-slip tape can be applied to the nosing.

3. RHINO SHIELD BUBBLE FOAM WEAVE



This durable triple-layered protection solution is available in white and green (flame resistant). It consists of a laminated woven top layer, with bubble and foam layers underneath. This combination provides excellent impact, cushioning, and scratch protection for sensitive finishes, as well as protection against dirt and moisture.

One great application for Bubble Foam Weave is protecting floating staircases during construction works. This can be achieved by wrapping a length of the product twice around the tread and taping it back to itself, before applying cardboard corner protectors to the nosing and taping back to the Bubble Foam Weave. This will protect both the tread and nosing without needing to apply any adhesive directly to the stair. This makes removal and cleaning easier.

4. SELF ADHESIVE PROTECTION FILM (CARPET AND HARD SURFACE)



Self Adhesive Protecta Film is a temporary, yet extremely effective way to protect carpets and hard floors from damage, dirt, paint spills, dust, and construction debris. Carpet Film protects synthetic and nylon carpets for up to 30 days, with clean removal.

Hard surface film can be used for up to 60 days of protection with clean removal. This fully waterproof and tear-resistant film is clear, allowing you to monitor any damage that may occur during works. It's adhesive underside means it stays in place, avoiding trip hazards.

If you need an easy, fast, and effective solution to protect your stairs from minor scuffs, scratches, dirt, dust, paint, or plaster, Carpet or Hard Surface Protecta Film is a perfect solution.

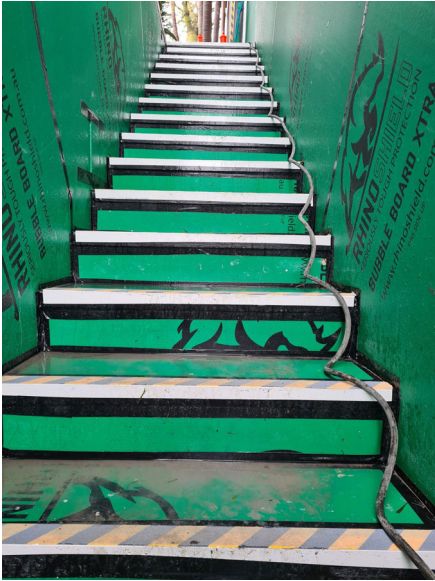
5. PREFORMED CARDBOARD TREADS/RISERS



Cardboard stair protectors are a preformed tread riser that can be installed securely on individual stairs, providing protection from marks and damage. By using low tack edge protection tape first, then applying a multipurpose tape to the edge protection tape, you eliminate residue being left behind when the job is complete.

Tread protectors are also available with anti-slip tape already applied, to save time and improve worker safety. The stair protectors can be reused in future jobs, increasing your return on investment.

6. PROTECTA BOARD BUBBLE BOARD XTRA



Bubble Board XTRA is one of our most versatile products. It is the ideal solution for protecting outdoor stairs, including stone, tiles, and pavers. Its P4 slip rating makes it suitable for wet conditions and 12-month UV protection ensures its long-term integrity. The product's felt backing provides extra protection for delicate surfaces like tiles, marble, and pavers, and its bubble-like structure makes it both lightweight and extremely strong.

When used on outdoor stairs, it can be pre-formed or paired with PVC Corners and anti-slip tape to protect the edges and provide additional slip protection. Bubble Board XTRA is the ultimate all-in-one protection solution, especially for outdoor use.

Those are the 6 Best Ways to Protect Your Stairs. Don't forget to protect your handrails too, with a solution from our edge protection range <https://bit.ly/3TrjU6Z>.

Protecta has a team of skilled and experienced specialists across Australia who can accurately assess your unique project needs. They can also provide samples of the solutions suitable for your project. They can visit you onsite, talk over the phone, or meet with you virtually via Teams or Zoom.

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