

# Case Study

## Frontrunner Plus



### How do you stop dirt from being tracked inside two of the UK's most popular shopping destinations?

Luxury department store Selfridges needed a highly effective, slip-resistant entrance mat that would stop dirt and moisture in its tracks.

#### The problem

The Selfridges stores in Birmingham's famous Bull Ring and in Manchester's Trafford Centre are visited daily by a huge number of shoppers. The Birmingham store presented an additional challenge: the store entrance is accessed via an external walkway that's open to the elements and is often wet and dirty. Both stores needed to find high performance entrance matting that would remove dirt and moisture at the point of entry, plus be quick and easy to install during the store's closing hours.

#### The checklist

- ✓ Removes moisture and dirt from shoes
- ✓ Reduces associated cleaning and maintenance costs
- ✓ Withstands extremely high levels of pedestrian traffic, and be heel- and wheel-proof
- ✓ Easy to cut to fit on site and quick to install without any advance templating

#### At a glance



##### Client

Selfridges

##### Brief

High performance entrance matting that removes moisture and dirt from shoes, and is quick and easy to install.

##### Location

Birmingham and Manchester, UK

##### Environment

Entrance

##### Industry

Retail

##### Needs

Drainage, fall through, slip resistance, surface protection

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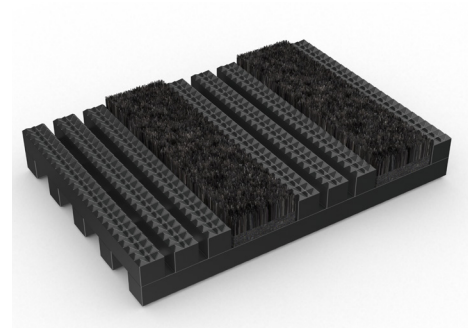
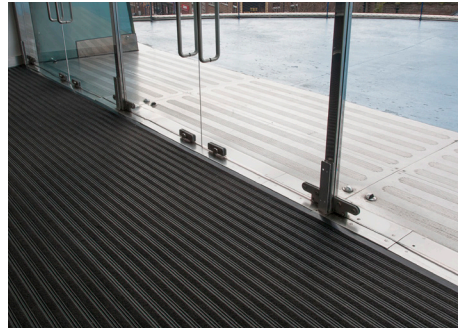
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### The solution

Frontrunner Plus was the perfect solution for a department store of this size and heritage. Slip resistant, wheel- and heel-proof, the matting has an aggressive tread pattern that scrapes shoes and wheels clean, plus heavy-duty absorbent carpet inserts to remove and dry any moisture. This reduces cleaning intervals, extends the life of floor finishes and keeps Selfridges looking stylish for longer.

During installation, Frontrunner Plus can be quickly cut to fit any shape, such as within revolving doors, inside mat wells or over irregularly shaped areas. For Selfridges this was a huge benefit, because the matting needed to be laid around several irregularly shaped columns – and the whole installation process had to happen during the store's closing hours.

“This entrance matting is really effective at cleaning shoes. This makes it easier to keep the interior floors clean which ensures the shop is looking great and reduces the associated cleaning and maintenance costs.”

Steve Jones, facilities manager,  
Birmingham Selfridges



### Product spotlight: Frontrunner Plus

Frontrunner Plus is an absorbent entrance mat specifically designed to not only stop dirt in its tracks, but moisture too.

#### Features:



Diamond cut pattern



Two layer open-grid construction



Absorbent carpet inserts



Close mesh grid



Comes in 10m (33') rolls or modules

#### Benefits:



Slip resistant, high soil removal



Excellent drainage



Maximum moisture removal



Heel and wheel proof



Seamless installation