

# MAINTENANCE



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# MAINTENANCE, RENOVATION AND REPARATION

## (Floors finished with hardwax oil)

This leaflet is intended to provide general comments and recommendations because of the wide variety of possible installation and/or wearing problems occurred. For any hesitations, a detailed report about the installation and it's required maintaining, repairing or renovating should be sent to our technical advisory service which will recommend the procedures to follow.

### MAINTENANCE MATERIALS AVAILABLE AT VOLUNTA PARKET

- Maintenance oil
- Maintenance Paste
- Neutral soap
- Wood Cleaner (Intensive cleaner)

### GENERAL NOTE

- Place door mats inside and outside the front door to stop dirt and grit being walked in, which can cause considerable wear.
- Put protective pads on furniture (not metal feet, which mark wood floors) to avoid unnecessary pressure marks and scratches on the floor.
- In case of heavy local wear and tear, e.g. by wheel chairs, it is recommended to lay a protective mat made of transparent plastic (e.g. PVC).
- Wood floors expand and contract depending on the ambient climate. To counteract excessive movement, and consequential damage to the floor, maintain a normal room temperature and a relative humidity of 40–60% and temperature between 18° and 24°.

### MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS

#### Cleaning

- For daily cleaning, use dry methods such as vacuuming. When necessary, damp-clean the floor with a well wrung-out mop/floor cloth. The floor must only become slightly damp. The film of water formed in this way must dry within one minute.
- For the best cleaning results, use Neutral Soap. If you use another cleaner, ensure that it is pH neutral (maximum pH 8). Do not allow spilt water to be left on the floor.
- The frequency of damp-cleaning depends on how much the floor is used and how soiled it gets. Regularly cleaning the floor prevents dirt from adhering to the oiled surface.
- Unnecessary cleaning using damp methods, does more harm than good.

#### Removing marks

- Remove marks as soon as possible using the Neutral Soap or Intensive Cleaner or another neutral cleaner.
- If this does not work, remove the mark using a green nylon pad. After removing the mark, you may need to Re-oil with Hardwax Oil or Maintenance paste.
- After installation flooring MUST be re-oiled with Hardwax Oil or Maintenance paste in order to create protective coat against daily wear. Mix has to be shaking well before using.
- Maintenance must be done following maintenance instructions using:
  - Intensive cleaner – for removal of accumulated dirt. (only when flooring is dirty)
  - Soap (Natural) – for daily washing of the floors.
  - Maintenance paste (Natural) – for reparations of minor scratches and defects caused of mechanical reasons.

• **NOTE:** The structure and pattern of above mentioned products is created using same finishing materials as standard range. It is most important to follow maintenance time of above mentioned products in order to re-create layer of top protective coat which is created by re-oiling with Maintenance Oil. If protective layer is worn out – it has to be re-created again, but using above mentioned Maintenance oil.

## REPARATION INSTRUCTIONS

- The floor can be cleaned with Wood Cleaner mixed with water 1:40 if necessary. Leave floor to dry fully before oil application.
- Stir and mix oil container well before and during use. Containers with different batch numbers should be mixed before use to avoid colour differences. Apply the oil in a thin layer with a short-haired roller or similar in an even coat. Leave the oil to be absorbed for 20 minutes.
- The area is now polished with white or beige polishing pad under doodle-bug or with polishing machine until the excess oil is polished in, and the area appears saturated. Leave the floor to dry for 8-10 hours. If necessary a second coat can be applied.
  - The floor can be used with care the next day and is fully hardened after 3 days at normal indoor conditions. Do not clean the floor until fully hardened. After the hardening time, the floor should be cleaned with Natural Soap or Oil Refresher, which leaves a protecting layer on the surface. Maintenance Regular cleaning: Natural Soap, Hardwax Oil or Maintenance Paste when required.

## RENOVATION INSTRUCTIONS

### **Partial renovation**

- If a small area has been damaged or worn through, or needs repair for any other reason, this is best achieved by replacing the damaged boards.

### **Total renovation of wood floors**

- If the floor is worn and cannot be repaired, or needs renovation for some other reason, it can be machine-sanded to bare wood and treated again to give a new surface.
- The surface can be treated with lacquer or natural oil.



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