

MAINTENANCE LACQUERED SURFACES

MAINTENANCE OF UV-LACQUERED FLOORS >

Universal flooring has a durable coating of Mara-Thon UV-lacquer, which is scratch resistant and easy to maintain.

Normal cleaning

The daily cleaning is made with broom or vacuum cleaner to prevent dirt, dust and grit from scratching or dulling its finish.

When necessary the floor can be cleaned with a damp (well-wrung) cloth. Add a few drops of soap or a mild detergent in the water. Never splash water on a wooden floor!

Spills or spots shall be wiped up immediately with a damp cloth. Spots shall be removed as soon as possible with a mild detergent. For more difficult spots you can try following methods:

Stains, spots of	Remove with
Asphalt, rubber, oil, shoe polish, soot, chocolate, grease	Washing naphtha
Crayon, lipstick, Indian ink	Turpentine spirit and water 50/50
Blood	Cold water
Stearin, chewing gum	Freeze spray or put a plastic bag with ice on the spot. Then scrape off carefully.

Repair >

A scratch or a crack in the floor can be repaired with putty. A deep scratch can be puttied several times, let dry between each putty. For bigger damages the whole board can be exchanged. This should be done by a professional.

All Universal flooring can be sanded several times. For best result only professionals should do this. Thanks to the strong and durable Mara-Thon lacquer used today relacquering will be needed very seldom.



MAINTENANCE OILED SURFACES

MAINTENANCE OF UV-OILED WOOD FLOORS >

Oil treated floors offer you a very special finish and ensure a pleasant and natural living environment. In order to ensure lasting pleasure of your oil finished floor, it is especially necessary to care correctly for the floor right after installation. With the right care, the oiled floor will become increasingly easy to clean and more hard wearing as the soap protects the floor with an invisible film making the floor more resistant to dirt.

Doormats inside or outside the front door prevent dirt and grit enters that could cause unnecessarily severe wear to the floor. Also put protective pads on furniture and chairs to avoid marks and scratches on the surface of the floor.

After-installation-care >

Your floor has been finished with UV-oil from the factory and is ready for use both in domestic and commercial areas. We recommend to clean the floor with soap natural or white after installation.

Normal Cleaning >

The daily cleaning is made with broom or vacuum cleaner. All floors should be cleaned with a hardwring, wet cloth regularly. When cleaning oiled floors, soap is added to the water (1/8 ltr. of soap into 5 ltr. of luke-warm water). The soap has two functions: it cleans the floor and at the same time forms a protective soap film on the floor making the surface more resistant.

> **Observe:** always work with two buckets - one with soap water and one with clear water for rinsing of dirty cloth or mop.

> **IMPORTANT:** always wipe floor with soap on cloth or mop.

If you use a special cleaning or care product (water based wax agent) for oiled floors, please try that product first on a small, less visible, test area of the room. Some product brands may be not compatible with the oil finish. It should be paid attention to the technical data sheets or care instructions.

Whenever applying cleaning and care products to your floor always ensure no standing water is left behind. This can damage your parquet flooring (swelling).

Basic cleaning >

If the floor has been neglected or become very dirty, clean it with Intensive Wood Cleaner. The Wood Cleaner is added to the water (1/8 ltr. of Cleaner into 5 ltr. of luke-warm water). Also work with two buckets in this instance. Immediately after cleaning with Intensive Wood Cleaner, the floor should also be cleaned with Soap in order to restore the protective soap film.

Spot Remover >

Difficult spots can be removed with a Spot Remover. The Spot Remover is sprayed on the spot and left to dissolve it. Repeat treatment if necessary. Fluids absorbed deeper inside the surface of the floor can be removed by sanding with very high grit (400 or more) sanding paper. However, this requires reoiling of spot with Maintenance Oil natural or white.

Maintaining with Maintenance Oil >

After a certain period of use, the oiled floor will perhaps look slightly worn and matt and should be maintained with a small quantity of Maintenance Oil.

Before oiling, clean the floor with a Cleaner mixed with water. Leave the floor to dry for some hours. Make sure that the floor is completely dry before application of oil.

Maintenance Oil should be sprayed onto the floor and immediately polished in by hand or with polishing machine. Respray with oil if necessary. The floor should look saturated with oil and have a silky matt surface. Make sure that all oil residues are polished well into surface using cotton cloths or white polishing pads.

> **NOTE:** in order to prevent a self-ignition of the oil-wetted cloths and pads, soak these in water immediately after use or burn them.

After approx. four to five hours (at 18 - 20 degrees celsius) the floor may be used again. After 24 hours, the floor may be cleaned with soap.

