

CARE + MAINTENANCE

Additional Instructions for ALLWOOD Oil Finished Flooring

For our factory oil finished flooring, we recommend using WOCA oil finish cleaner and other floor care products for maintenance. The following instructions are provided by WOCA. For general care and maintenance, follow the Allwood Care and Maintenance General Guidelines for all Allwood Hardwood Flooring.

REPAIRING SCRATCHES

Light scratches are best repaired by hand rubbing Maintenance Oil Paste or Master Oil into the scratch using the polishing cloth. If necessary, first clean the area to be repaired with Wood Cleaner solution, which then must dry fully before applying oil. This drying time can be substantially shortened by using a hair dryer on the “cool” setting. Leave the oil to absorb for 15 minutes before thoroughly buffing and removing the oil from the surrounding area.

Deeper scratches or gouges should be scraped and/or sanded until they are no longer visible. Do not use sand paper that is too fine. A 60 or 80 grit paper will suffice, depending on the wood species. Then clean the spot with Wood Cleaner solution, mixed with water according to instructions on the bottle. This prevents the pores from opening all the way, preventing full saturation of the Master Oil. This is especially important when using Master Color Oil, which will need to fully blend with the surrounding color. The Polishing Pad may be used for this purpose.

DIFFERENT SHEEN LEVELS

Whenever an area of the floor has been cleaned or repaired with new oil, it is important to remove all new oil from the surrounding area. This is easily done using a Polishing Cloth or a lint free cotton rag, which then allows both areas to blend since they will have approximately the same sheen level. If necessary, steel wool can also be used to eliminate the “halo” effect of a slightly higher gloss level in the area around the repair.

MAINTENANCE WITH SOAP OR OIL REFRESHER

You should mop your floor with WOCA Soap or Oil Refresher approximately one week after oiling it and then clean your floor with WOCA Soap or Oil Refresher only when dirty. Oil Refresher should not be used more than four times per year as this may create unwanted build-up. When used 2-4 times per year, Oil Refresher introduces small amounts of oil into the floor, which provides longer wear before re-oiling. Detailed instructions will be provided with the WOCA Soap/Oil Refresher products.

STAIN REMOVER

In the event of tough stains, such as those resulting from red wine or mustard spills, Stain Remover should be sprayed on the stain, left for five minutes, then the spot should be scrubbed. It may be necessary to add WOCA Master Oil or Maintenance Paste to the Spot after it has dried.

