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Real Wood Flooring for Professionals



MAINTENANCE GUIDELINES

Natural Oil Floors

In order to carry out the following procedures you will need a **Natural Oil Maintenance Kit** containing **Soap, Wood Cleaner and Maintenance Oil** available from **Atkinson & Kirby**.

Routine Maintenance

Product: Natural Soap (Coverage: 1 litre = 320-400m² per mopping)

Cleaning Type: Regular day to day cleaning.

Tools Required: 2 Mop buckets, mop, and a floor cloth.

- Step 1** Mix 125ml of Natural Soap with 5 litres of lukewarm water. (Working with 2 buckets is recommended, one with soapy water and one with water to rinse the mop).
- Step 2** Clean the floor with the minimum of water, leave the soapy water on the floor briefly in order to dissolve the dirt.
- Step 3** Remove dirty soapy water from the floor with a cloth or a mop that has been well wrung out and then rinse in clean water.
- Step 4** Wipe the floor with soapy water using a mop that has been well rung out in order to leave a protective film of Natural Soap on the floor.

Very dirty floors can be cleaned with Wood Cleaner firstly and then Natural Soap.

Areas of heavy wear may be maintained or rejuvenated with Maintenance Oil after using the Wood Cleaner.

Removing Ingrained Dirt

Product: Wood Cleaner (Coverage: 1 litre = 200-300m² per mopping)

Cleaning Type: Removes grease, dirt and soap residue.

Tools Required: 2 Mop buckets, mop and a floor cloth.

- Step 1** Mix 150ml of Wood Cleaner with 5 litres of lukewarm water. (Working with 2 buckets is recommended, one with soapy water and one with water to rinse the mop).
- Step 2** Leave the solution on the floor for 5 minutes in order to dissolve the dirt.
- Step 3** Wipe off the solution and rinse the mop in clean water.
- Step 4** Clean the floor using the soap as described under Routine Maintenance.

Rejuvenating Oiled Floors

Product: Maintenance Oil (Coverage: 1 litre = 40-50m²)

Cleaning Type: Annual cleaning (may be required more regularly on floors subject to heavy traffic).

Tools Required: Buffing machine with a beige or white pad, paint roller and cotton cloths.

NOTE: RISK OF SELF IGNITION. DUE TO THE RISK OF SELF IGNITION IT IS IMPORTANT THAT SANDING DUST AND CLOTHS SOAKED IN OIL ARE SOAKED IN WATER AND DISPOSED OF IN A TIGHTLY CLOSED CONTAINER AFTER USE.

- Step 1** Clean the floor with 125ml of Wood Cleaner mixed with 5 litres of water. Leave the floor to dry for at least 8 hours. (Ensure the floor is completely dry).
- Step 2** Shake the Maintenance Oil carefully. Apply approximately 200ml of oil per 8m² with a paint roller or cotton cloth (a buffing machine can be used for large surfaces).
- Step 3** Maintenance Oil must be very carefully buffed into the wood. Continue buffing until the wood appears saturated and the surface looks uniform.
- Step 4** Wipe the floor with a clean dry cotton cloth. Continue this process across the floor until all sections are finished. The floor should not appear wet and there should not be any excess oil left on the floor after buffing. After buffing with a buffing machine, the floor will be pre-hardened after approximately 4 hours. Manually buffed floors may be used after 24 hours, when the floor is fully hardened. **DO NOT EXPOSE THE FLOOR TO WATER DURING THE HARDENING TIME.**

Note: Please read the label on each individual product before use.

