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# A Guide to your New Wooden Flooring

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# Wooden Flooring

# Few things match the beauty of hardwood flooring,

and with simple proper maintenance, your flooring can retain the sheen, warmth and durability that make it a classic flooring choice. It is important to remember that in caring for your hardwood floors, you are actually caring for two separate surfaces – the finish, and the hardwood beneath.

The main thing to remember is to keep grit off the floor. Those fine particles of dirt and dust can act like sandpaper on your hardwoods, and subtly scratch and dull your hardwood finish. Follow these the few easy steps on the opposite page and your floor will stay looking newer for longer.

### **Post Installation**

#### Once your floor has been installed make sure the following is carried out:

- Do not walk on the floor until the adhesive has fully dried, this is a minimum of 12 hours.
- Remove any debris from the floor using a soft sweeping brush or dry mop.
- Ensure any adhesive has been removed by spot cleaning using a basic stripper.
- Use the maintainer on a damp mop and the leave to dry.

#### **Routine Care and Maintenance** It is very easy to care for you new floor covering.

- Remove any debris from the floor using a soft sweeping brush or dry mop.
- Use the maintainer on a damp mop.
- DO NOT use bleached based products or washing up liquid.
- Mop up spillages as soon as possible to stop spots becoming stains.
- The maintainer should be used to give you better protection against stains.
- Do not use house hold cleaners on your floor for general cleaning, unless they are specific for floors as they can often leave an oily residue which could become slippery.

# Maintaining

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- You should vacuum, sweep or dust-mop your floor once a week or more, if needed.
- The vacuum head must be brush or felt, and a wand attachment is preferable.
- Do not use vacuums with beater bars or hard heads.

# Things NOT TO DO with your Wood Floor:

- **Do not** use sheet vinyl or tile floor care products on wood floors. Self-polishing acrylic waxes cause wood to become slippery and appear dull quickly.
- **Do not** keep wood floors vulnerable in high-traffic areas. Use throw rugs both inside and outside doorways to help prevent grit, dirt and other debris from being tracked onto your wood floors.
- **Do not** wet-mop a wood floor. Standing water can dull the finish of your flooring, which can damage the wood and leave a dis colouring residue.
- **Do not** let spills linger. Wipe them up immediately with a slightly dampened towel.
- **Do not** over-wax a wood floor. If the floor dulls, try buffing instead. Avoid wax build up under furniture and other light traffic areas by applying wax in these spots every other waxing session.
- **Do not** let naked furniture legs stand on your wood floors. Put soft plastic or fabric glides under the legs of furniture to prevent scuffing and scratching.
- **Do not** slide heavy furniture on wood flooring. It is best to pick up the furniture completely.
- **Do not** (if you can help it) walk with heels, cleats or anything with a pointy heel on your wood floor.

When the time comes for your wood floor to be re sanded and sealed please feel free to give us a call and we will be happy to do this for you.

# Trouble Shooting

#### Scuff Marks

**Cause:** Friction from floor traffic across the surface of the floor. **Solution:** Clean your floor with a basic stripper and then a maintainer if needed. This process should be repeated every six months or as the traffic dictates.

#### **Slippery Floor**

Cause: Greasy residue on the floor/ detergent residue – use of incorrect cleaning products or over use. Solution: Clean Remove the residue with an absorbent cloth or paper then thoroughly clean the floor with the routine cleaner and repeat if necessary.

#### Scratching

**Cause:** Excessive grit or dirt on the floor. **Solution:** Make sure your have entrance matting in all doorways at a depth of around two paces. Sweep the floor regularly and ensure the floor is dressed with a maintainer to give your floor extra protection.

#### **Poor Appearance**

**Cause:** Incorrect cleaning products used, dirty maintenance equipment or maintainer applied to a dirty surface. **Solution:** Use only recommended cleaning products. Use the basic stripper to resistor the floor to its original appearance and re-apply maintainer if requir

### If you feel you cannot deal with any of these problems please feel free to give us a call and will be happy to help.



# It's Covered

# **Our Guarantee**

At Lambourn Flooring & Interiors you automatically qualify for two years installation warranty on all of our wooden floors fitted to British Standards BS 5325.





# Keep Your Wood Looking New?

Everything you need to keep your floors looking great – all in one handy pack.

For those accidents that might happen along the way we can supply a Spot Remover Spray from a leading manufacturer. Should you wish to purchase this please call in store or alternatively email us at **info@lambournflooring.co.uk** 

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