

# **Care and Maintenance**

#### **Cleaning and maintenance instructions**

Deck Art products with finishing oils.

# It is EXTREMELY IMPORTANT that you read and understand this information completely. Improper maintenance and/or care can void the warranty.

#### **General information**

Newly delivered Deck Art flooring requires one week to harden completely. During that period, we recommend only cleaning with a vacuum cleaner or a dry cloth (do not use a damp cloth).

After the one week period, the floor can be maintained using Deck Art maintenance products.

#### **Floor protection**

Engineered wood flooring can be a beautiful investment. To protect it against moisture damage and abuse, follow our guidelines:

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#### **Protection guidelines:**

- Always clean the floor in accordance with the instructions.
- Maintain indoor relative humidity between 40% and 65%. If this preventive measure is not kept, the product may crack, split, discolour, crook, bow and delaminate.
- Use felt leg protector pads, made for use with wood flooring, under all furniture legs.
- Wipe up spills immediately.
- Apply slip resistant runners or rugs on areas of high traffic.
- Use slip resistant door mats (outside and inside) to keep abrasives such as dirt, grit and sand off the floor.
- Replace narrow, hard (plastic) furniture rollers with wide rubber ones.
- Don't use rubber or plastic mats as they can discolour the floor.
- Don't use ammonia based cleaners, wax based products, detergents, bleach, polishes, oil soaps or acidic materials like vinegar.
- Don't walk on the floor wearing high heeled shoes.
- Don't walk on the floor with any hard and/or sharp object protruding from the sole of your shoe.
- Keep the nails of your pets trimmed to prevent scratches to the finish.

# Cleaning and care schedule for residential, light commercial and commercial spaces

Deck Art finished products require periodic cleaning, care and oil treatments.

The frequency of treatments depends on its use, the amount of foot traffic, general wear and tear, cleaning frequency, exposure to sunlight, etc.

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Method	Residential space	Light commercial space	Commercial space
ROUTINE CLEANING (vacuum, broom, dusting mop)	Every day	Every day	Every day
INTENSIVE CLEANING Deck Art Cleaner	Once per week	2-3 times per week	Every day
DEEP CLEANING	Every 6 months	As needed,	As needed,
Deck Art Strong Cleaner		Once per month	2-3 times per month
CARE – REFRESHING Deck Art Refresh	Once per year	Every 6 months	Every 3 months
ADDITIONAL PROTECTION	_	Once (7 days after	Once (7 days after
Deck Art One	-	installation)	installation)
PROFESSIONAL CARE	Once every 3	Once per year	1-2 times per year
Oil care	years	Once per year	1-2 lines per year

#### Cleaning the floor

Regular cleaning and maintenance is recommended to keep your wood flooring protected and looking its best.

# **DIRECTIONS: Intensive cleaning**

1. Before cleaning with the Deck Art Cleaner, sweep, dust or vacuum the floor.

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- 2. Shake the container well before use.
- 3. Spray the Cleaner evenly over the floor, working in small sections.
- 4. Wipe the floor in the direction of the wood planks using a microfiber mop or lint-free cloth. Rinse the mop with lukewarm water during the cleaning process to avoid leaving a dirty residue behind, and then continue with the cleaning.
- 5. After the intensive cleaning, allow the floor to dry completely (ca. 15 minutes).
- 6. Clean the tools after use with clean water.

#### **DIRECTIONS:** Deep cleaning

- 1. Before cleaning with the Deck Art Strong Cleaner, sweep, dust or vacuum the floor.
- 2. Shake the container well before use.
- 3. Spray the Strong Cleaner leaner evenly over the floor, working in small sections.
- 4. Wipe the floor in the direction of the wood planks using a microfiber mop or lint-free cloth. When the mop becomes dirty, rinse it with lukewarm water, and then continue with the cleaning.
- 5. After the intensive cleaning, allow the floor to dry completely (ca. 15 minutes).
- 6. Clean the tools after use with clean water.

#### Floor care

Regular maintenance with Deck Art Refresh improves the visual appearance and increases the wear life of a floor. Deck Art Refresh has components which produce a "topping up" effect to the floor's finish. This effect renews lasting care and protection.

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# DIRECTIONS:

- 1. Before using Deck Art Refresh, remove all dust, dirt and grease from the floor using a mop, soft brush or vacuum cleaner.
- 2. Bring the container of Deck Art Refresh to room temperature and shake well.
- 3. Spray Deck Art Refresh straight from the bottle all over the surface of the floor.
- 4. Using a suitable applicator (microfiber mop or lint-free cloth), wipe the floor in the direction of the planks and allow to dry.
- 5. Clean the tools after use with clean water.
- 6. The floor is ready to be walked on after 60 minutes.\*

\* Optimum conditions are 18 - 25 °C, relative humidity < 65 %. Low temperatures and high humidity lengthen, while high temperatures and low humidity shorten the drying time.

# ADDITIONAL PROTECTION (OPTIONAL) – DECK ART ONE

If you want to increase the durability of Deck Art wooden flooring in your commercial or light commercial space, it is recommended to take the following steps after the installation of Deck Art flooring:

- 1. Wait 7 days from the day of installation of Deck Art flooring.
- 2. Vacuum the floor and clean it with a dry microfiber mop.
- 3. Clean the floor thoroughly following the instructions from *Intensive cleaning*.

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4. Bring the container of Deck Art One to room temperature.

5. Working in small sections, apply Deck Art One evenly over the floor, then wipe it in the directions of the wood planks, using a microfiber mop. Repeat this procedure all over the surface of the flooring.

6. Leave the floor to dry for 24h. After that period, continue with the regular use of your space, following our care and maintenance instructions.

# PROFESSIONAL OIL CARE

Schedule a professional oil care appointment at the estimated date or when the need occurs (signs of noticeable scratches on the surface of the flooring).

Please contact our professional service for advice and further inquiries.

# Important note

• Flecks and applicator marks can be removed using our stain removal set.

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