

Different flooring finish types require specific maintenance and care. reSAWN TIMBER co. separates its pre-finished flooring products into Polyurethane, UV Oil, and Hardwax Oil categories to provide finish-specific maintenance recommendations.

BASIC CARE AND GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Sweep and vacuum frequently. When vacuuming, make sure the brush roller is turned off.
- Quickly wipe up any spills.
- Immediately remove any water and/or sand that comes in contact with the floor surface.
- Never wet mop a wood floor; spot clean as necessary.
- Only use recommended flooring cleaning products fit to purpose.
- Use breathable mats near sinks, dishwashers, and workstations.
- Place walk-off mats at all entrances.
- Remove shoes before walking on floor to avoid trapped pebbles and sand. Avoid spiked heels.
- Install felt floor protectors on all furniture legs and bases.
- Protect the floor surface when moving furniture.
- Keep pet claws trimmed.
- Follow NWFA guidelines for relative humidity (35% - 55%) and temperature (60°F - 80°F).
- As a natural product, anticipate slight seasonal movement in the floor. This is not a defect.

POLYURETHANE FINISHED FLOORING OVERVIEW:

- Polyurethane finishes are desirable for their durability and ease of maintenance. These finishes offer superior protection to traditional site-applied finishes.
- reSAWN TIMBER co. recommends Bona cleaning and maintenance products for polyurethane finished floors. Maintenance products can be purchased directly on Bona's website: bona.com

POST-INSTALLATION:

After installation, care should be taken to protect the floor. Consider using a breathable protective product, such as Ram Board, to cover the floor until all final construction work is complete. Clean all debris off the floor before laying a protective covering. Do not tape protective covering directly to the floor; the adhesive in the tape can pull the finish when the tape is removed. Wood flooring will fade when exposed to direct sunlight. Consider covering the full surface of the floor and monitor the condition of the floor under the covering on a regular basis. Fully and carefully clean the floor after the protective covering is removed.

REGULAR MAINTENANCE:

- Use a Bona Sweeping Pad for quick, regular clean-up.
- Vacuum the floor regularly with the brush roller turned off.
- Use Bona Hardwood Floor Spray for isolated spot cleaning.
- Use Bona Hardwood Floor Cleaner on a weekly basis to clean and maintain the floor. Bona's Premium Spray Mop for Hardwood Floors is an effective tool for application of the cleaner.
- Bona provides a range of mops and sweeping pads appropriate for use with Polyurethane finished floors.

DEEP CLEANING AND SUPERFICIAL SCRATCHES:

- Application of Bona PowerPlus Hardwood Floor Deep Cleaner on a monthly basis when the floor is seeing increased foot traffic can be effective. Follow Bona's application instructions.
- Application of Bona Hardwood Floor Polish (Low Gloss) may help reduce the visual impact of superficial scratches from the surface of a polyurethane finished floor. If you choose to apply polish, carefully apply in line with Bona's application instructions. Polish is not cleaner and is not intended for frequent use. While it is restorative, it can change the sheen level of the floor. Test first to confirm desired outcome. Application of polish requires removal of floor coverings and furniture and a period of curing time following application.
- Test all applications of all maintenance and cleaning products in a low visibility area first.

REFINISHING

A properly maintained polyurethane finished floor can last for 8-10 years or more depending on traffic and wear. When considering sanding and refinishing, consult with a certified flooring professional.

POLYURETHANE FINISHED FLOOR DO'S:

- Frequently sweep and vacuum the floor. Keep grit and surface dirt off the floor.
- Quickly clean up any liquid that comes in contact with the floor.
- Use Bona Sweeping Pads for quick clean-up, and Bona Hardwood Floor Spray for spot cleaning.
- Clean the floor weekly with Bona Hardwood Floor Cleaner.
- Test all applications of maintenance and cleaning products in a low visibility area first.

POLYURETHANE FINISHED FLOOR DONT'S:

- Don't use ammonia, vinegar, petroleum-based or abrasive cleaners, wax, polish, scrubbing pads, or furniture cleaners on the floor.
- Don't wet or steam mop the floor.
- Don't mop with water only.