

Care & Maintenance instructions (lacquered)

General Information:

Duo-plank flooring products are finished with a number of layers of lacquer based on unsaturated acrylic resins, which are photo-polymerized by UV-light after application. In this way, Duo-plank flooring finishing has ideal film properties such as good adhesion, best hardness and excellent scratch resistance. The lacquer is free of solvents, heavy metals, insecticides, pesticides, herbicides and formaldehyde and therefore, environmentally friendly. The surface protects the natural look of the wood and is easy to clean and maintain. Duo-plank flooring products are extremely durable and is protected against dirt and liquids that may penetrate the surface. Parquet floors, even those made of hard wood, are exposed to a natural wear and tear process. Marks and scratches on the surface are unavoidable. If the surface has been damaged by wear and tear, then it must be sanded and re-sealed. The durability and abrasion resistance of a sealed floor depends on the regular and correct maintenance. This extends the life of your floor significantly.

- Attach felt gliders or rollers to chairs legs.
- Dirt and sand are abrasives; dirt-trapping carpets or mats should be placed in entries.
- Avoid using too much water during cleaning because water may cause damage to the wood.
- Care and cleaning processes should be done with a damp cloth.
- Any spots should be removed immediately.
- Do not use steel wool or high-pressure cleaners.
- Use no alkaline cleaning agents for normal cleaning since these may cause colour changes of the wood.
- Place heavy furniture carefully.
- Before the surface is used, it should be first cared for.

The following care and maintenance instructions apply to intact parquet. If any damages are visible, there is a chance that the surface may turn gray from absorbing water.

Indoor climate:

To prevent the floor from shrinking and expanding due to moisture exchange, the relative humidity should always be between 40 - 60% at 21°C.

Maintenance with Bona Swedish Formula Hardwood Floor Cleaner

Bona Swedish Formula Hardwood Floor Cleaner is a waterborne, environmentally responsible cleaner specifically formulated for cleaning all types of wood floors coated with a clear unwaxed finish, including all polyurethane finished floors. Will not dull the finish or leave any residue. Unlike all-purpose cleaners and oil soaps, it quickly cleans tough stains and spills-from dried spaghetti sauce and red wine to scuff marks-all without dulling your floor's beautiful finish or leaving any residue. There's no mixing or diluting; Bona Hardwood Floor Cleaner is full-strength and ready to use.

Using Bona Swedish Formula Hardwood Floor Cleaner:

1. Vacuum

Vacuum, dry mop or sweep to remove any loose dirt or grit. The best method of removing dirt and grit is vacuuming with a soft brush attachment on your vacuum. If using the Bona MicroPlus mop to dry mop, remove any loose dirt or grit after dry-mopping by rinsing with water and wringing out the mop pad prior to cleaning floor with Bona Swedish Formula Hardwood Floor Cleaner.

2. Spray

Lightly mist a 1,25 x 1,50 m² area of your floor or directly mist the cleaning pad with Swedish Formula Hardwood Floor Cleaner.

3. Clean

Using a slightly dampened, well wrung-out Bona MicroPlus cleaning pad, thoroughly clean the floor surface using your Bona MicroPlus mop. Finish one area before moving on to the next. When your mop pad becomes soiled, rinse with water, thoroughly wring out the pad and continue cleaning with Swedish Formula Hardwood Floor Cleaner. When the mop pad becomes excessively soiled, launder and replace with another clean mop pad. Continued use of excessively soiled pads may cause streaking. Your Bona MicroPlus cleaning pads are reusable and washable. Do not use any fabric softeners, dryer sheets or bleach on your MicroPlus cleaning pad as these products will diminish the natural cleaning characteristics of the microfiber. When a spill occurs, soak up the liquid right away. Mist the area with cleaner, and wipe with your Bona MicroPlus mop or a MicroPlus Floor Cloth.

Maintenance Intervals/Frequency:

The use of Bona(R) Swedish Formula Hardwood Floor Cleaner is dependant on the intensity of wear and tear. The following recommendations can be used as a guideline:

Residential areas: once a month Commercial areas: every 1-2 days

Routine care:

Normally, dry cleaning only, using mop, dust broom or sweeper.

Dull floors

If your floor becomes dull, we recommend the use of Bona Swedish Formula Hardwood Floor Refresher. Use of Bona Swedish Formula Hardwood Floor Refresher:

Provides a crystal clear, highly durable gloss shine to polyurethane wood floors that are dull, worn, scratched or show signs of wear. It refreshes the appearance of these floors with a new bright luster.

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Note: the application of refresher to satin or low gloss sheens will increase the gloss level. always do a test section first. refresher is intended to maintain the floor between professionally applied finish coats. it is not intended to replace a professional finish application.

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Refresher is for use on unwaxed, polyurethane finished wood floors only. Do not use over any floor that has been waxed or oiled. Wax and oil residues will prevent the proper adhesion of refresher to the floor. If your floor has been previously coated with an acrylic-type maintenance coating, it must be thoroughly removed prior to using refresher. Follow the stripping instructions for that product or contact the manufacturer for their recommendation. Always test floors for adhesion in an inconspicuous area before use. Refresher is not a cleaner. It is a finish and is designed to leave a protective coating on your floor when properly applied. It is non-strippable.

Keep out of reach of children. May cause gastrointestinal irritation. If swallowed, drink 1 or 2 glasses of water to dilute. Keep from freezing. Do not mix with any other products.

INITIAL APPLICATION

1. Remove loose dirt and grit from your floor. Clean floor thoroughly with Bona Swedish Formula Hardwood Floor Cleaner and the Bona MicroPlus(TM) Mop using the MicroPlus™ blue cleaning pad. Repeat to ensure that dirt will not be trapped in the Refresher. Make sure floor is completely dry before applying Refresher.

2. Rock container back & forth several times before opening. For best results, apply Refresher with the Microplus™ Microfiber applicator pad attached to the Microplus mop base. **DO NOT USE THE SAME PAD YOU USED FOR CLEANING TO APPLY REFRESHER.** Prepare the applicator pad by slightly dampening it with water. You may also use a paint pad or sponge mop if the applicator pad is not available. Apply Refresher in a 25 - 50mm. wide wavy line on the floor. Work on a small section at a time, about 1,00 - 1,50 m².

3. Spread Refresher over entire small section making sure all wood is covered. REFRESHER SHOULD BE APPLIED AT 45M² per quart (0,9464 Ltr.). For best results, apply a thin consistent coat; keep airborne dust and airflow to a minimum while floor is wet. 4. Smooth out Refresher, going with the grain of the wood. Continue the process until the entire floor is coated.

Allow to dry a minimum of 1 hour before walking on coated floors. If desired, a second coat may be applied after 2 hours. Always coat entire floor to ensure an even appearance and sheen.

NOTE: Avoid heavy traffic and replacement of furniture and rugs for 24 hours after final coat. Covers approximately 45m² (0,9464 Ltr.). Clean tools with soap and water.

Re-sealing

The re-sealing of pre-finished parquet is difficult under practical conditions. The best and most successful alternative is consistent and regular care and maintenance with suitable products, especially on areas with high wear and tear.