

PREVENTION

- Place mats or throw rugs at doorway exteriors, interiors and pivot areas to help prevent the tracking and grinding of grit, dirt, sand and moisture into the finish. Dirt can be ground into the floor surface and scratch the finish. Excess moisture can damage the wood fiber. Rugs and mats must be made of a breathable material and non-marking rubber to prevent moisture entrapment and finish discoloration.
- Never use excessive amounts of water for cleaning. Never pour any cleaner directly onto flooring. Never wet mop with string type mop. Continually wet mopping a hardwood floor means the floor is continually expanding and shrinking. The resulting stresses and movement of the flooring can cause abnormal and unsightly checking and cracking. Keep in mind that standing water could dull the finish and leave a discoloring residue.
- Never use wax, oil based soap, multi-purpose cleaners, window cleaner, vinegar, furniture polish or other household cleaning detergents on Nydree Oil Finish Flooring. Remember to wipe up spills immediately.
- Use fabric-faced glides or large (at least 2" in diameter), broad surfaced (at least ¾" in width), barrel-type, double wheel casters (non-marking rubber or polyurethane) on chairs and furniture legs to prevent scratching, scuffing and other damage. Keep glides and casters clean by inspecting regularly to prevent scratching. Replace fabric-faced glides as needed.
- Keep in mind that high heels, cleats and sports shoes can indent the floor surface.
- When moving heavy furniture, equipment, etc., use roller casters and be sure to protect the wood flooring with heavy cloth or cardboard.
- Keep HVAC systems set at 70°F (21 °C) and 30-55% relative humidity. Use a humidifier in the winter months to keep all wood movement and shrinkage to a minimum.
- The suns UV rays and strong artificial lighting can discolor some hardwood flooring species over time. If possible, periodically rearrange rugs and furniture to allow for even aging of the flooring. Some species darken (cherry) and some species will amber over time (oak).

ROUTINE MAINTENANCE

- Routine, regular maintenance, daily if necessary, should include sweeping, vacuuming or dust mopping with Nydree Flooring Dust Mop Treatment. Walking on a dusty or dirty floor is the fastest way to damage the finish.
- Periodically spray buff the floor with Nydree Flooring Spray Buff Cleaner. Carefully follow the label directions of all Nydree Flooring maintenance and remedial products. Use only serviceable and clean equipment.
 - Small Installations (Swing Buffer)**
Sweep or dust mop the entire installation to remove excessive loose dirt/dust. Clean the floor using Nydree Spray Buff Cleaner with trigger set to 'spray', not 'stream'. Spray a small area in front of the floor machine (3 feet x 3 feet) LIGHTLY with a fine mist. Do not over apply. A heavy spray will load the buffing pad and cause excessive drag and slower cleaning. Do not allow the cleaner to dry before buffing. Buff to dryness utilizing a heavy (100 lb./45 kg) low speed buffer (175-250 rpm) and a medium (red) polyester pad or equivalent. Buffing until dry is required to obtain luster. Remember to use as little spray buff as possible. Dwell on areas with heavy scuff marks or excessive dirt build up. Dust mop the entire floor after spray buffing (Be sure to hit edges and corners).
 - Large Installations (Malls, etc.)**
Use Nydree Flooring Spray Buff Cleaner, red buffing pads and a walk-behind Clarke Encore buffing machine.
- Polishing Directions: Use a white polishing pad and Nydree Flooring Spray Buff Cleaner after the floor has been cleaned using a red pad to achieve a slightly higher gloss level. A very high shine can be achieved using a high speed burnisher (2000 rpm) and burnishing pad after the floor has been cleaned with Nydree Flooring Spray Buff Cleaner.

REMEDIAL MAINTENANCE

- **Food/Water/Pet Urine/Spills.** Immediately absorb spilled foods and liquids with cloth rags or sponges. Larger spills may be cleaned up using a neutral pH All Purpose Cleaner solution and a well-wrung rayon or cotton damp mop. Do not use excess water or dripping mop. Once dry, use Nydree Flooring Spray Buff Cleaner.
- **Light Scratches.** Apply a small amount of Nydree Flooring Oil Conditioner on a white cotton cloth and rub into the scratch only.
- **Deep Scratches/Cigarette Burns/Penetrating Stains.** Spot sand or screen, then apply Nydree Flooring Oil Conditioner. Follow with Nydree Flooring Spray Buff Cleaner. If this repair is not acceptable, then the deep scratch/burn/stain can be removed by replacing the plank(s).
- **Dull floor/Traffic Patterns.** Dust mop and spray buff following the instructions above. Dry damp mop flooring lightly with clean water to raise the grain. Use a well wrung mop – just enough to darken floor. Allow floor to completely dry. Use Nydree Oil Finish Conditioner quart bottle with trigger set to spray/mist, not stream. Spray mist small areas (3' x 3') of conditioner evenly on the floor in front of a buffing machine. Even out only, do not buff dry. One light coat of conditioner is sufficient. Do not use too much conditioner as this will leave the floor surface sticky. Use only enough conditioner to darken the floor. Do not pour conditioner on the flooring surface directly from the bottle as this will always result in too much material being applied. It is better to use too little than too much. Keep traffic off of the flooring surface for a minimum of 12 hours. Rope off the coated areas and post. Follow up with Nydree Flooring Spray Buff Cleaner and a red pad after a minimum 12 hours. Applying Spray Buff Cleaner sooner will result in a somewhat lower luster. In either case, Spray Buff Cleaner is required to seal the conditioner.
- **Chewing Gum/Crayon/Wax.** Apply a plastic bag filled with ice on top of the deposit until it is brittle enough to crumble off. Follow with Nydree Flooring Spray Buff Cleaner.
- **Topical - Grease/Tar/Oil/Rubber Scuff Marks/Lipstick/Crayon.** Apply a small amount of mineral spirits to a white cotton cloth and rub material off. Follow with Nydree Flooring Spray Buff Cleaner.

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