

Care instructions

Wooden floors, impregnated soap care



<i>brief instructions</i>		
procedure	product	remarks
<i>maintenance</i>	LOBA® ParkettSoap	Cleaning and caring
	LOBA® ParkettOil	Repairing slight damages
<i>intensive cleaning</i>	LOBA® ParkettSoap	intensive cleaning, diluted 1:2

general remarks

Wood

Wood is a natural product. It changes its dimensions and adapts permanently to the rooms' relative humidity.

During the heating period relative humidity decreases significantly causing the wood inevitably to react and to emit its own humidity - it shrinks. The longer and stronger rooms are heated, the drier the air will be and thus broader joints will form. Usually the broadest joints are to be expected at the end of the heating period. At the end of summer the joints are commonly least broad or completely closed.

To counteract the joints formation, relative humidity values below 45% are to be avoided. This can be achieved by using special air humidifiers. Conditions of 20 °C and 50% r.h. have proved useful for both the wood's preservation and human well-being.

Underfloor heatings

It must be taken care that multi-circuit systems of underfloor heatings in connected rooms are operated equally. A surface temperature of 29 °C must not be exceeded. In contrast to central heated rooms an enforced joint formation is to be expected.

Wood oils

By using floor oils, the wood will be impregnated and protected against intruding water. This treatment will leave the wood-pores unsealed. To protect them against soiling, a subsequent treatment with floor-waxes should be carried out. Floor-waxes will close the pores, add a soft gloss to the floor and produce an additional protection against water. Freshly impregnated floors are not to be used during the first 24 hours. Careful usage of the floor during the first few days will improve its lifetime. Full stressability will be achieved after 8-14 days.

According to the stress, oils are subjected to a natural wear. To counteract this effect, a regular caring procedure according to DIN 18356 is necessary. On severe damages in the surface caused by normal stress, the floor can be partially renovated.

Cleaning and caring of impregnated parquet

Only dry cleaning during the first week after varnishing (broom, mop, vacuum cleaner). Do not inhibit the drying process by placing carpets.

First cleaning

Use LOBA® ParkettSoap.

maintenance

Cleaning

Dry-clean your floor by using mop, broom or vacuum cleaner. Dirt and dust have the same effect as sanding paper and thus are to be removed instantly. Damp-mop your floor if required (e.g. in case of heavy stains, spots, etc.) using LOBA® ParkettSoap.

Repairing slight damages

By using the floor slight damages appear to the base oil. They can be - even partially - worked over with LOBA® ParkettOil. To do so remove any soil from the damaged places using LOBA® WaxRemover and a green pad. After drying work over with LOBA® ParkettOil. After drying over night the floor can be used again.

Repairing heavy damages

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Heavy damages are - even partially - repaired by applying the appropriate base oil once more. To do so remove any soil from the damaged places using LOBA® WaxRemover and a green pad. After drying the wood is to be treated with the base oil. After drying over night the floor can be used again.

intensive cleaning

To remove heavy soiling which can not be removed by maintenance cleaning, an intensive cleaning procedure can be carried out using LOBA® ParkettSoap 1:2 diluted with water. The floor must be wetted with this solution and worked over mechanically with a pad or brush. Remove dissolved dirt subsequently and wipe with clean water. Since the floor will hereby be strongly leached out a subsequent treatment with care oil, better with base oil is obligatory.

notes

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