

OILED WOODEN FLOORING

MAINTENANCE GUIDE

PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE

Abrasive particles of dirt and grit trafficked on to a wooden floor finished with oil can be very damaging and seriously shorten the lifespan of any treatment. The floor's surface will quickly become dull due to scratches and the wood may be affected by the ingress of moisture and stains. Matting placed at external entrances can be highly effective at prolonging the appearance and life of the floor whilst reducing the frequency of refurbishment. It is important that matting is of a type which is doubleribbed, such as the **Kingley Twin-line Matting**. Matting should be large enough, ideally, to allow two steps across it, but, as general recommendation, the mat should be as large as practical.

It is also very important to ensure that the floor is protected from moveable furniture, such as tables and chairs, and a simple solution to this is to protect the floor by applying felt furniture feet to the underside of the furniture. A high quality example of these is the **Sectino[™] Felt Furniture Feet** (Order ref: 105067).

HOW TO LOOK AFTER YOUR FLOOR

An effective maintenance programme will keep the floor clean and looking as good as possible. The following information is designed to provide a starting point for such a programme and is appropriate for both commercial and domestic floors. However, all floors are unique and will require individual assessment because the factors affecting them will vary. Changes in traffic levels and seasonal changes will also need to be taken into consideration, for example, additional matting may be required during periods of snow or heavy rain. The frequency of any maintenance should reflect the used of the floor, and should be altered accordingly.

AN EFFECTIVE MAINTENANCE REGIME SHOULD CONSIST OF:

Dry Cleaning

Floors should be cleaned daily using dry cleaning methods, such as vacuum or dust control mop, such as the **40cm Dust Beater Mop**. This will remove any particles of dust and grit which may stretch the floor seal when trafficked under footwear, chair legs, and other items moved across the floor.



40CM DUST BEATER MOP

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Damp Cleaning

Soluble dirt should be removed by cleaning using a spray-buff system – the best on the market being the **Hygen Pulse Mop System** (Order ref: 950104) – a sturdy mop which features an on-board reservoir and user-controlled release of solution. The removable cleaning heads (which are machine-washable) should be replaced periodically to ensure effective maintenance.

The solution to be used for frequent cleaning of oiled wooden surfaces is the **Marldon MXC710 Cleancare Concentrate** (Order ref: 950059 (1L size)), which is formulated to give a non-streaky finish. This is available in a 1 litre container and the coverage is 2 caps per 5 litres of water.

Additional Cleaning

Wooden floors often become scratched and dull over time and require reviving. This can be done by applying a ready-touse solution, which is the **Marldon MXC700 Liquidwax Care** (Order ref: 950058), also available in a 1 litre container. This not only revives dull and scratched surfaces but improves wear protection. This is ideal for removing heavy stains and marks too.

Wooden floors which may often become contaminated with grease, sweat or residue from other sources, may require additional cleaning to remove these materials.



MARLDON MXC710 CLEANCARE CONCENTRATE



HYGEN PULSE MOP SYSTEM

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The Life Cycle of the Floor Periodically it will be necessary to re-finish previously oiled floors.

The Marldon **MXC720 Hardwax Oil Care System** contains all the requisite products to maintain and care for oil wax finishes:

1 x 1 litre Marldon MXC710 Cleancare Concentrate 1 x 1 litre Marldon MXC700 Liquidwax Care 1 x Marldon Polishing Pad 3 x Applicator Pads



All the products mentioned above can be purchased from Havwoods Limited or Havwoods Accessories, and application directions can be obtained by contacting **+44(0)1524 737 000** or downloaded from **www.havwoods.co.uk**

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