

## HAVWOODS UV CURED LACQUER WOOD FLOORING – Maintenance Guide

Havwoods timber floors are designed to withstand the wear and tear of day-to-day life. Because wood is a natural material, it will react to the environment it is installed in – dry environments will cause a floor to lose moisture and humid environments will cause moisture to be gained. Using the correct cleaning products allows a wooden floor to adapt to its surroundings while still looking and performing as required.

Videos are available from [Havwoods](#) demonstrating floor maintenance.

### PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE

Always clean up spillages immediately on timber flooring.

Abrasive particles of dirt and grit trafficked on to a wooden floor can be very abrasive 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 is essential in prolonging the appearance and life of the floor, whilst reducing the frequency of refurbishment. It is important that matting is of a type which can remove grit and absorb moisture.

Matting should be large enough to allow two steps across it but, as a general recommendation, the mat should be as large as practical and be regularly cleaned.

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 underside of the furniture legs. Regularly check and clean the felt feet, particularly in commercial areas, to avoid/reduce embedded grit or particles from scratching the wood surface.

### LOOKING 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 heavy rain. The frequency of any maintenance should reflect the use of the floor and should be adjusted accordingly.

Havwoods timber floors are treated with a factory-applied UV-cured lacquer finish, enhancing the texture and character of natural wood flooring. The surface of the timber is coated with up to 7 coats of lacquer, providing protection and longevity of finish through the UV cured coating. Each piece of timber has its own unique density and structure, which allows it to adapt to its environment after installation. After construction or renovation works, it is recommended to give UV Cured lacquer finished floors a light maintenance treatment with Bona Wood Refresher or Ciranova Unicare X-Matt. This treatment helps rejuvenate the finish, addresses minor scratches, and forms part of a regular maintenance routine. This regime would be more frequent in commercial applications.

Havwoods offers floor maintenance products and care kits for cleaning and maintenance of our lacquered wooden floors. Our products consist of PH neutral cleaners and provide the correct tools to remove contaminants from the flooring. As floors are subjected to foot traffic over time, micro-scratches and patterns of irregular wear will occur. Our recommended products and maintenance kits include the necessary materials to refresh and rejuvenate the floors lacquer finish to extend the life of your Havwoods wooden floor.

It is crucial **never** to use steam mops, harsh chemicals, natural oils, or acidic or alkaline cleaners on your flooring. Instead, use only the products recommended by Havwoods for cleaning and maintaining your floors.

Upon request, a site-specific maintenance guide can be provided for commercial applications.

It is also recommended to use felt pads on chair and furniture bases to prevent damage caused by moving furniture.



## How

A build-up of dirt can cause scratches on timber floors. In between mopping and vacuuming, a microfibre dust mop should be used for daily cleaning.

High traffic areas such as, kitchen, dining, entries, and corridors should be cleaned daily with a spray mop to remove food, oils, and other contaminants. This will help to prevent damage to the floors coating.

Regularly vacuum the floor to remove dust, lint, and animal hair, making sure that the underside of the vacuum head has felt or a soft brush to prevent scratching of the floor finish.

To effectively remove everyday dirt and maintain the condition of the surface finish, it is important to use the correct dilution of Bona Wood Floor Cleaner or Ciranova Hard Floor Fresh. These cleaners can be used with the Bona Premium Spray Mop or a Hygen Pulse Mop to ensure quick and efficient cleaning.

Professional cleaning is to be carried out using an I-Mop scrubber/drier machine fitted with soft brushes. The cleaning solution is mixed with water in the canister of the I-mop. After mechanical cleaning with an I-mop machine, it is recommended to use a damp mop and cleaning solution. This will remove any excess water to perimeters of room and hard to access areas of floor. The floor should be fully dry within 2 minutes of mopping, otherwise too much water is being used. Apply a maintenance product after deep cleaning.

Bona Wood Floor Refresh or Ciranova Unicare X-Matt can be used as maintenance products for lacquered floors.

**BONA** - Apply 1-2 coats of Undiluted Bona Wood Floor Refresher evenly with a microfiber cloth or mop, in the direction of the wood grain. If necessary, you can apply a second layer of Bona Wood Floor Refresher after 1 – 3 hours.

**CIRANOVA** - Use the UNICARE X-MATT undiluted. Apply the UNICARE X-MATT evenly with a microfiber cloth or mop, in the direction of the wood grain. If necessary, you can apply a second layer of UNICARE X-MATT after 1 hour.

On stubborn spots, rubber heel marks or sticky spills etc. spray Bona Wood Floor Cleaner or Diluted Ciranova Hard Floor Fresh directly onto the affected area and let it work for a few minutes. Scrub the spot clean with a cleaning pad.

Always allow maintenance products to dry before replacing furniture or allowing foot traffic on the area.

*Note:* Spillages on wooden floors should always be removed in a timely manner.

## When

**Daily** – Use a microfibre dust mop for daily cleaning. Spray Mop in high traffic areas.

**Weekly/Bi-Weekly** – Vacuum as necessary, dependent on usage.

**Weekly (more regularly in commercial environments)** – Damp mop with diluted Bona Wood Floor cleaner or Ciranova Hard Floor Fresh using Spray Mop. Always machine wash mop head after use and start with a clean mop. Large floors may require multiple mop heads. A clean mop will cover approx. 60 – 80m<sup>2</sup> before requiring replacement.

**Every 6 months (or as required)** – To replenish and protect the flooring finish, we recommend using either Bona Wood Floor Refresher or Ciranova Unicare X-Matt maintenance products.





**Every 12 Months (or as required)** – Use Bona Oxy Power Timber Floor Deep Cleaner to remove dirt build from floors. Not to be used as part of weekly cleaning routine.

**3 – 4 years (or as required)** – Professional mechanical cleaning of timber floors, we recommend using Ciranova Hard Floor Cleaner. After cleaning, apply 1-2 coats of Ciranova Unicare X-Matt to maintain the floor's appearance and protect it from dirt and coating build-up. In some cases, a professional mechanical cleaning may be necessary to ensure the removal of deep-seated dirt and build-up, followed by the application of 1-2 coats of Ciranova Unicare X-Matt for optimal results.

**7 – 10 Years (or as required)** – For a floor presenting with a tired or dull-looking finish, the floor can be professionally cleaned with Bona Deep Clean solution, then abraded with a red abrasive pad, followed by the application of 1-2 coats of Bona Traffic HD Matt lacquer coating.



### Recommended Products

<p>Protective felt pads.</p> 	<p>Rubber Castor Wheels.</p> 	<p><b>Protective Felt Pads</b> to be applied to the bottom of furniture, these pads protect the floor surface from scratches. Always replace pads that have compressed or fallen off to preserve the condition of your timber floors.</p> <p><b>Rubber Castor Wheels</b> are perfect for replacing existing office chair wheels and protecting your pre-finished timber flooring.</p> <p>Rubber Castor Wheels are readily available, cost-effective, and easy to replace on existing furniture.</p>
<p><u>Residential:</u> Bona Premium Spray Mop</p> <p><u>Commercial:</u> Hygen Pulse Mop</p> 		<p><b>The Bona Premium Spray Mop</b> enables you to clean and maintain your wood floor in a sweep. Ergonomic and simple to use.</p> <p>Forget filling up a bucket and adding concentrate - just spray and clean!</p> <p>Includes Bona Wash &amp; Care concentrate.</p> <p><b>KEY BENEFITS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Specially developed for wooden floors</li> <li>• Ergonomic design.</li> <li>• Machine washable mop heads.</li> </ul> <p><b>Hygen Pulse Mop</b></p> <p>HYGEN™ PULSE™ Microfibre Mop Frame cleans more square metres in less time. Industry-best Microfibre, the on-board reservoir, and user-controlled release of solution mean cleaner floors faster, easier, and more effectively.</p> <p>Microfiber cloths are proven to remove 99.9% of microorganisms and are durable up to 1000 launderings.</p> <p>High-capacity refillable reservoir holds 600ml of solution to clean up to 80 square m2 of floor space. Windows allow easy monitoring of fluid level.</p> <p>Press trigger on ergonomic handle to dispense 3 streams of cleaning solution behind mop pad.</p> <p>Clean Connect Cap and PULSE Hose snap together for spill-free refilling. Lightweight construction weighs only 1.8kg when fully loaded with solution.</p>



## Bona Wood Floor cleaner



**Bona Wood Floor Cleaner** is a ready-to-use water-based cleaner designed for the on-going maintenance of finished timber floors. Quick, easy and convenient. Bona Timber Floor Cleaner is available in a 1 Lt Trigger Spray, economical 2.5 Lt Refill Pack and a 0.85 Lt Spray Mop Cartridge.

Removes 99% of bacteria when used with Bona's Microfibre cleaning pads.

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- Bona world-leading quality, sold in over 90 countries world-wide
- Cleaning solution made in Sweden
- Specifically formulated for sealed timber and cork floors
- Thoroughly cleans and helps maintain and protect your timber floor
- Fast drying, ready to use, floors can be walked on straight after cleaning
- No streaks, no dulling residue left behind
- Ph neutral formula doesn't damage floor finish

Certified Greenguard GOLD

## Bona Oxy Power Timber Floor Deep Cleaner – NOT FOR REGULAR USE





**Bona Oxy Power Deep Cleaner for Timber floors** is a natural disinfectant. Bona Deep Cleaner for wooden floors has 3 times the cleaning power of normal cleaners and is perfect for a deep hygienic clean to remove germs and bacteria for a thorough deep-clean of your timber floors.

Bona Deep Cleaner for timber loosens tough, heavy build-up and the Hydrogen Peroxide penetrates as a disinfectant while its bubbling action lifting away bacteria and stains. GREENGUARD GOLD certification ensures a safe product for your family, your pets - and our planet. OxyPower Deep Cleaner Removes 99% of bacteria when used with Bona's Microfibre cleaning pads.

- Removes 99% of bacteria with Microfibre
- Cleaning Pads
- 3 x the cleaning action of normal cleaners
- Powered by Hydrogen Peroxide – a natural disinfectant
- Oxygenated formula removes heavy dirt build-up
- Ready to use – just spray and mop
- Dries fast
- Safe for all timber floors
- Residue Free



<p>Bona Wood Floor refresher – <i>Gloss Finish</i></p> 	<p><b>Bona Wood Floor Refresher – Gloss Finish</b></p> <p>Drying time Approx. 2 hrs</p> <p>Coverage rate Approx 50m2/Lt</p> <p>Adds an extra layer of protection against wear.</p> <p>Bona world-leading quality, sold in over 90 countries world-wide. Refresher solution made in Sweden.</p> <p>Designed for polyurethane finished and pre-finished timber floors.</p> <p>Revives dull &amp; lightly scratched timber floors and surfaces.</p> <p>Fills in micro scratches.</p> <p>Adds a tough polyurethane layer of protection.</p> <p>Restores floor to original sheen.</p> <p>Certified Greenguard GOLD</p>
<p>Ciranova Hard Floor Fresh</p> 	<p><b>Ciranova Hard Floor Fresh</b> is water-based cleaning product for regular maintenance of all types of varnished floors. Hard floor fresh can also be used for the maintenance of parquet finished with waterborne products.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hard floor fresh degreases and cleans the wood.</li> <li>• Universal maintenance for varnished floors.</li> <li>• Also suitable for LVT, laminate and floors finished with waterborne oils.</li> </ul>





#### Ciranova Unicare X-Matt – *Matt Finish*



**UNICARE X-MATT** is a Universal maintenance product that provides an extra protective layer to all types of MATT floors.

UNICARE X-MATT can also be used on laminate, LVT and on our matte waterborne finishes like FORTICO, ECOFIX & OCULTO. UNICARE X-MATT provides an extra protective film and hides micro-scratches, maintaining the original look of the floor.

The extra matte protection ensures that the finishing layer is maintained longer and prevents dirt becoming ingrained.

- Extra protection layer for all types of MATT waterborne finishes.
- Can also be used on laminate, LVT and matt varnished floors.
- Hides micro-scratches and restores the original look of the floor.

#### I-Mop XL



##### I-Mop XL Key Specs:

46cm scrub width  
Brush speed: 350 RPM  
Runtime: 60mins  
Charge time: 60-70mins  
Weight: 22.5kg  
Practical performance 1000-1300 m2/ hr

**The I-Mop XL** is extremely manoeuvrable easy to use scrubber dryer.

Keep your floors looking like new - The i-Mop has a dirt removal rating of over 97% compared to traditional mopping methods of only 30-40%!

An area that would normally take 30mins with a Mop & Bucket takes 5mins with an i-Mop.

Cleans right to the edge, under tables, profiles etc- no more tide marks because of edge mopping.

Runs on portable Lithium batteries, no trip hazards from power leads!

Weights 13-22kg depending of the model – light enough to conveniently transport upstairs, between sites etc.

Routine Cleaning: Soft Brushes



## Bona Traffic HD



**Bona Traffic HD** (Heavy Duty) has all the features and benefits of Bona Traffic but is specially formulated for added durability and wear resistance. Traffic HD is 67% more wear resistant than standard Traffic and its quick drying and curing properties allow most floors to be put back into full use 24 hours after being completed.

Traffic HD is perfect for floors where extreme levels of traffic are expected such as retail shops, halls, museums, galleries and other public places.

- 2 component water-based top coat
- 100% polyurethane
- Extreme wear resistance
- Low-odour
- Non-toxic
- Non-yellowing and unaffected by UV light
- Suitable for over-coating pre-finished floors
- For use with Bona primers
- VOC 50 g/Lt (all sheens)
- 4.75% total solvent content
- 8-10 m<sup>2</sup>/Lt coverage
- Drying time 2-3 hours between coats
- 1.5 mg/100 rev wear resistance (SIS 923509)
- 2 sheen levels: Satin and Extra Matt
- Gloss Level (60°): Satin 45 / Extra Matt 10

## The Life Cycle of the Floor

Periodically it will be necessary to re-finish previously UV Matt Lacquered Floors. Depending on the surface condition, the degree of cleaning or preparation required will vary and, in some circumstances, the floor will have to be sanded back to bare wood prior to application of lacquer coating to regenerate a comparable finish to that applied to the product during manufacture.