



CARE INSTRUCTIONS

GENERAL CARE:

To care for a pre-finished floor we recommend the following cleaning processes and materials:

Regular cleaning will prevent dirt and grit from wearing and scratching your floor and will extend the life of the finish considerably.



An electrostatic mop can be used to remove loose dirt and dust or you can vacuum (ensure the head of the vacuum won't scratch your floor) Use a swivel-type-cleaning pad such as a Sabco Super Swish. These come with one dry electrostatic pad (top left image) and one wet microfiber pad (top right image) that interchange (available at Bunnings/Woolworths).

After dusting, we recommend using **Fiddes Floor Surface Cleaner** and use a spray bottle to wet the floor. You can purchase the cleaner on our website: <http://www.oslek.com.au/floor-care/>. Work a section at a time in the direction of the grain. This will remove any marks and collect any missed grit. For best results rinse out the damp pad often, this will remove the dirt and grit from the pad and not deposit it over the floor. It is important not to over-wet timber floors or to allow moisture to remain on a timber floor for any period. Rinse the damp mop after use with clean water or it can also be washed thoroughly in the washing machine.

Do not under any circumstances use any bleach, ammonia or caustic based cleaners to clean the floor e.g. Domestos, White King and many common household cleaners are caustic as this can weaken the coating and could cause colour distortion and the high likelihood of staining.

Fats such as cooking oil and greasy foods can be extremely penetrative and mark the floor permanently. Therefore we strongly recommend that such spillage needs to be removed and cleaned immediately using methods written above. To further protect your floor it is always worth considering applying an extra clear over-coat for wet areas such as the kitchen and the dining area where the floor is most exposed to fatty foods.

Felt feet and protective pads should be used on all furniture prior to moving in to prevent scratching.

Eg. Slipstick – www.slipstick.com.au (or similar). Generally available at Bunnings, supermarkets etc.

Natural timber needs to be 'breathe'. Therefore it is important to be aware that the use of rugs or hall runners can discolour the floor, even if it is breathable. If your timber flooring discolours, it is best to remove the rug immediately. This will allow the timber to 'breathe' and it will slowly return back into its original colour.

SCRATCHING AND DENTING:

OSLEK Floors can be refinished if it becomes excessively damaged although our finishes are designed to be recoated without the need for sanding. For best results, we recommend contacting us directly for up to date information. Please supply us with the specifications of your installed floor.

CLIMATE CONTROL:

Australia's sun can be very harsh so we recommend the use of blinds, curtains, exterior blinds/awnings or if possible utilizing glass with built in UVA and UVB protection. This will help prevent fading or discolouration. Moving rugs and furniture on a semi-regular basis will help the floor age evenly.

RE-FINISHING:

It will be evident that the finish is worn when some areas remain wet longer than other areas after cleaning or when the base colour (stain) is disappearing. Wear of the sealer is less noticeable on flat finishes than on glossier finishes.

We have recommend re-finishing systems in place for recoating, however we strongly recommend that clients contact OSLEK Flooring on (03) 9877 1966 before refinishing our floors as technologies for re-coating pre-finished floors is constantly evolving. We can also suggest recommended tradespeople depending on your location.

We hope you enjoy your new floor, thank you for choosing OSLEK Flooring.