



Care Instruction ARDVOS Wood Oil



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Care Instruction for floors and furniture, finished with ARDVOS Wood Oil

When treated with ARDVOS the structure of the wood is reinforced. In addition, the natural and pleasant look is appealing and adds warmth and comfort into ones rooms.

The surface is protected from moisture, dirt and wear and tear. It is antistatic, which reduces its soiling tendency and improves the indoor climate.

Please follow the recommendations to extend the life of your floor and keep it low maintenance.

To lengthen the lifetime of the surface, please take care of the floors in the first few days after treatment with ARDVOS. If possible, do not walk on treated areas.

If, despite precautions, damage occurs to the surface and it is not older than two weeks, you may rework the area with ARDVOS without sanding. If scratches are deep, it is absolutely necessary to sand first with a 240 grit and then follow with a very fine grit (i.e. 400 grit) and polish with ARDVOS.

Daily Care

In the first week after the treatment, do not lay carpets on the floor and place all fixtures carefully. During the first 4 weeks, please use only dry methods of cleaning. After this time, the floor should be completely dry and is loadable.

But maybe you should avoid putting office chairs directly on the floor and use a mat as protective underlay. In the entrance area, it is highly recommended to use a good quality door mat.

Basic cleaning and maintenance

After removing abrasive dirt, use TRENA ph Neutral Cleaner No. 556, diluted with water 1:1000. (One tablespoon of TRENA in ten litres of water). Avoid higher concentrations. Wipe only with a slightly damp mop or cloth. If you clean your floor weekly with TRENA the addition of GLANOS Liquid Wax Cleaner No. 559 to the cleaning water each fourth time can help to obtain a gloss to the floor (1 tablespoon in 5.0 lt of water).

Visible walking traces, scratches, damages, what now?

In highly stressed areas, for example in schools, kindergartens, restaurants, shops, it is recommended to rejuvenate the surface with ARDVOS when the area looks matt or when scratches require removal. No sanding back is required. After rejuvenation, it is recommended to remain off the surface for 16 hours.

Waxing of the surfaces, treated with ARDVOS

If a waxed surface is required, you may either apply SOGO Hard Wax No 307 very thinly with a spatula (may also be applied cold) and polish. Alternatively you may apply BIVOS Oil Wax No 375 thinly and let dry.

Rejuvenate the surface with BIVOS when the surface looks dry.

For daily or weekly cleaning, please follow the above cleaning recommendations.

Indoor climate

Optimal conditions are: 18 - 22 °C and a relative humidity of 40 - 60 %. Timber for flooring is dimensioned and conditioned for these climate values by the manufacturers.

The wood moisture here is 8 - 11 %. Within this range of relative humidity, no major gapping or swelling of the floorboards will occur.

Timber especially reacts on changes in humidity. The wood moisture content of flooring which has been treated with ARDVOS corresponds with the indoor humidity.

Checking the indoor climate in a new building is absolutely necessary, if parquet has been laid down freshly. For example, it is only possible to regulate moisture which is coming out of freshly plastered walls by controlled ventilation and additional heating of the room's air, even despite summer temperatures.

Within a distance of 1.5m from a frequently used fireplace, the timber will dry because of the radiant heat. Floorboards may shrink by 0.5 %. In these areas, it is essential to arrange for adjustment and shielding measures.

In Bathrooms, the saturation of the end grain with ARDVOS is important.

On frequently moist areas (walls and floors), remove water drops, otherwise, after years of use, hard to remove traces of lime and other minerals solved in water, can build up grey and white veils on the wooden surfaces.

The presence of indoor plants in a non-heated winter garden can cause very high humidity. Take precautionary measures by frequent ventilation and the use of an air dehumidifier.

As a general rule, in the winter months, wooden floorings undergo a shrinkage process in heated rooms, with the result of expanding joints.

In the summer months, due to stronger absorption of moisture (despite higher outside temperatures), the wood's grain may swell and the floorboards may expand. As a result, the gaps will disappear again.

The coating with ARDVOS Wood Oil No. 266 retards the respective release and absorption of moisture. A complete barrier in the flooring area is not possible with any coating material.

Further information may be obtained from your LIVOS dealer.