



## **LAMINATE FLOORS MAINTENANCE GUIDE**

Wonderwood laminate floor is an easy-care, wear-resistant floor with a long lifespan and a hygienic hard surface. To prolong the life of the laminate floor, it is however necessary to take precautions against unnecessary loads on the surface.

### **Preventative care tips**

- ⌘ Rugs without rubber back can be applied to heavy traffic areas
- ⌘ Use floor protectors to minimize indentations and scratches from heavy objects.
- ⌘ Place a dirt-trapping mat at the entrance to keep sand, dirt and grit outside
- ⌘ Keep pet nails trimmed to avoid excessive scratching
- ⌘ Stiletto heels, spiked golf shoes or other types of sports cleats can severely damage the floor

### **Regular maintenance tips**

- ⌘ Vacuum (bristles down) or sweep your floor regularly to prevent accumulation of dirt and grit that can scratch or dull the floor finish
- ⌘ Use a damp cloth to blot up spills as soon as they happen
- ⌘ Steam mop is prohibited for cleaning timber floor
- ⌘ Do not use steel wool, abrasive cleaners, or strong ammoniated or chlorinated type cleaners.
- ⌘ For tough stains, you may need to use a heavy-duty stain remover made specifically for hardwood floors

### **Repair**

- ⌘ Very light and small surface scratches can be repaired with a staining “touch up” pen of the appropriate color.
- ⌘ Slightly deeper scratches can be repaired by means of colored putty and or stains. Fill the scratches with the putty. Level with putty knife. Wipe off excess putty.
- ⌘ Very deep scratches may require the replacement of the planks.

### **Climate maintenance**

- ⌘ Care should be taken to control humidity levels within the 35% - 55% range. Flooring, especially hardwood and bamboo, dimensions will be affected by varying levels of humidity.
- ⌘ Dry Climates: A humidifier is recommended to maintain humidity levels. Wood stoves and electric heat tend to create very dry conditions during the winter months this also will cause shrinkage in flooring.
- ⌘ Humid, Wet Climates: By using an air conditioner, heater, or dehumidifier proper humidity levels can be maintained to prevent excessive expansion due to high moisture content.
- ⌘ Static electricity can also be reduced by keeping the relative humidity in the room at around RH 50 %.