

Care instructions for oil impregnated wood and cork floors

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Valid for all industrial prefinished and on site oil impregnated wood and cork floors, in particular with:

euku oil 1 FS
euku oil 2 plus FS
euku color oil FS

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MAINTENANCE CLEANING / CARE

Coarse dirt and sand act like sandpaper and should be removed with a hair-broom, mop or vacuum-cleaner. Wipe up any fine dirt or dust with a slightly damp cloth. For this purpose add **Peerless JAL Versadet** to the mopping water and mix together at a dilution of 1:40 (25ml in 1 litre warm water).

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FOLLOW UP OILING / FRESHEN UP

Your wood floor must be given a follow-up oiling when it is dried out by use and cleaning, and signs of wear become apparent.

For this purpose carry out maintenance cleaning/care beforehand. Afterwards apply **euku refresher** (oil-wax care combination), depending on the absorbing behaviour of the wood, and after a short time, allowing it to take effect, polish it out until no surplus oil onto the surface remain. We recommend using a buffing machine. Alternatively, follow-up oiling is also possible with the impregnating oil originally used, in particular this applies to coloured floors.

We recommend asking professionals at your specialist floor company. They have a monodisc machine, which is a major advantage, and the experience to freshen up your floor in an optimal way.

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GENERAL ADVICE

Floors impregnated with oil retain the natural surface of the wood. Depending on the degree of use, every floor is subject to natural wear and tear. To preserve the value of your floor, it therefore demands proper care. Your wood or cork floor can only be guaranteed if the care instructions of your flooring professional are followed. These instructions are tailored to the needs of your floor. That is why we ask you to follow them, so that you have many years of pleasure with your wood floor. In this context please bear in mind that the surface image of an oiled-impregnated floor is only finalized after use, cleaning and care.

Floors must not only be cleaned, but also cared for. By cleaning, something is removed from the surface (e.g. dirt, abrasion debris). With care products, something is added, in order to protect the wood against the influence of water and to preserve the attractive appearance of the floor. For the optimal treatment of oil impregnated wood floors we recommend the procedure described above,



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whereby the general rule is: the wood floor should have as little contact with water as possible. The better the floor is looked after in the initial days, the longer its life will be.

The wood is given protection through impregnation. This makes it largely resistant against water penetration.

The professional on site manual impregnation operation cannot naturally be carried out with the perfection of industrial production. This means that minor troubles (e.g. polishing traces) can happen. This has no influence on the durability of the impregnated floor.

The moistness of the wood is permanently adapted to the humidity of the air in the room, which leads to swelling and shrinking. It is said that wood is always "working". During winter the relative humidity in heated, interior rooms falls noticeably. As part of a natural process, wood surrenders water, which leads to joints appearing in the wood floor. By moistening the air this effect can be counteracted. In summer when air humidity is high, the joints which opened then close again. It is also true that for humans a good room atmosphere provides physical well-being. The ideal room atmosphere to be aimed at is around 20°C and a relative humidity of about 50%. The breathing activity of the wood is only slowed down by oil impregnation.

Furniture and other furnishings should be carefully moved back into the room. The feet of tables and chairs should be covered with suitable furniture gliders – for this purpose we recommend the optimal protective **Scratch-no-more**-system. For chairs with castors, use only soft rollers, as defined by European norm EN 12529, or use suitable padding underneath. Anti-slip carpet underlays must be suitable for sealed floors. Waterproof coverings can damage the floor due to the influence of water, through hindering the breathing activity.

The amount of dirt walked into a building can be reduced by clean-running zones.

Larger quantities of water should be avoided, for example brought into entrance areas.

Staining products (e.g. Hair dyes, disinfection agents) as well as softeners (e.g. coming from rubber, plastic) might lead to an irreversible discoloration of the surface. Avoid contact..

When applying these care instructions to industrial pre-impregnated parquet (impregnated with oxidative oils), after being laid the joints must be follow-up oiled, to prevent water penetration, for example with **euku refresher**, as described above.

Please also pay attention to the Product Information Sheets of the above-mentioned products!

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