



Maintenance Instructions

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Important information! Reading this instruction is extremely important. Read carefully and make sure you understand these instructions correctly. Please contact your supplier if anything is unclear and you need things explained! Not following these instructions and improper maintenance can void the warranty of your floor.

When your floor is just installed:

Maintenance Oil direct after installation yes or no?

The floor is finished with 3 coats of Van Speijck Hybrid Finish. This is an oxygen-dried finish so that means a complete curing time of 21 days. When the floor is installed, it is not necessary to directly apply a coat of maintenance oil.

However, a few good reasons to do so:

- The maintenance oil speeds up the final curing of the Hybrid Finish. Very important when the floor is covered up direct after installation, or if the floor was stored for a longer period after arrival.
- Small installation scratches or glue wipe spots will all be covered and protected.
- Good final presentation for the end user and the floor is ready to go.

Day to day maintenance for Van Speijck Hybrid finished floors exists out of 2 steps:

1 Routine Cleaning (mopping once every 4 to 6 weeks. Depending on use of the floor)

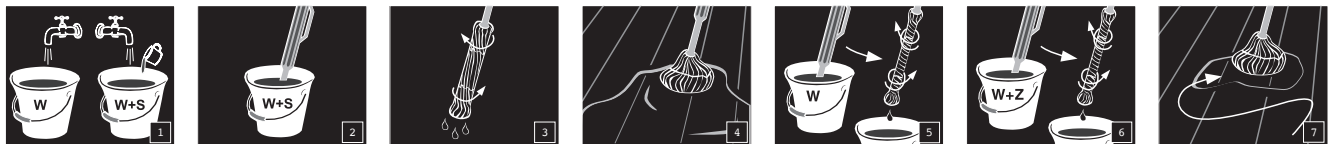
Van Speijck Natural Soap.

WHY? Think of it this way: if you wash your hands wearing rubber gloves, it is easy to be careless about the type of cleaner you use, since they don't get in contact with your skin. What if you wash your hands uncovered?...it becomes important to use cleaners that won't harm your skin. Preferably, they should not only clean, but also protect your skin to prevent it from drying out and cracking.

Most of us also add a lotion or moisturizer when your skin feels dry in order to protect it.

This is exactly what our Natural Soap does to your floor. Van Speijck Natural Soap is designed to clean and protect your Van Speijck Exclusive floor from: dirt, stains, wear and tear and drying out.

It cleans and leaves an invisible layer of natural soaps which greatly help to make your wood floor more and more dirt and wear resistant and easier to clean.



Instruction:

How to use: Van Speijck Natural Soap

- Shake carefully before use.
- 3 ounces Natural Soap is mixed into a gallon of lukewarm water.
- It is recommended always to work with 2 buckets: one with soap water and one with rinsing water.
- Clean the floor with minimum quantity of water – leave soap water on floor briefly in order to dissolve dirt.
- Remove dirty soap water with hard-wrung mop or cloth and rinse out in bucket with rinsing water.
- Always wipe floor with soap water on hard-wrung microfiber mop or lint-free cloth in order to re-establish the protective Natural Soap film.
- Allow the floor to dry for 30 to 45 minutes before using again.
- Read the label for all instructions

2 Optional: Maintenance Oil (every 6-12 months)

recommended in the following situations:

- high traffic areas.
- areas where a wear pattern gets visible.
- lack of previous maintenance which results in a dry/ poor looking floor.
- repair/ camouflage of visible superficial stripes and scratches.

Using Van Speijck Maintenance Oil in the above situations helps keeping the floor in “shape” since the finish is often under extra stress when the above situations occur. Important note. Van Speijck Maintenance oil can be used locally on the floor and without having to move all existing furniture.

Van Speijck Intense Cleaner

Before applying our Maintenance oil use our Intense cleaner. This cleaner takes care of a thorough cleaning of the floor and remove all dirt, grease and dust before applying the maintenance oil.

After using the Intense cleaner always apply a coat of Van Speijck Maintenance oil.

Instruction:

How to use: Van Speijck Intense Cleaner

- Add half a cup (75 cc) of Intensive Cleaner to approximately 2 ½ gallon/ 10 liters of lukewarm water. Use a little more if the floor is very dirty.
- Clean the floor with a microfiber mop or lint-free cloth that is thoroughly wrung out. Regularly rinse the mop clean. Do not use in combination with other cleaning products!
- Allow the floor to dry for 30 to 45 minutes before using again.
- Read the label for all instructions

Instruction:

How to use: Van Speijck Maintenance Oil

- Make sure the floor is clean and free from any abrasive materials such as sand, dust and mud.
- Apply the maintenance oil very thin!! With a microfiber mop, lint-free cloth or buffing machine with a white buffing pad.
- 0.26 gal (1 liter) is good for 700 to 800 sf
- Floor is ready to be walked on after approx. 6 hours.*
* Important! Optimal conditions are 64 – 77 ° Fahrenheit, relative humidity < 65 %. Low temperatures and high humidity lengthen, while high temperatures and low humidity shorten the drying time.
- Note: make sure all excess maintenance oil is removed once finished.
- Read the label for all instructions

Daily care of your floor

Please bear in mind that abrasive materials such as sand, dust and mud are the biggest threats to wooden floors. These abrasive materials get under rugs, shoe soles etc. etc. causing quick abrasion of the finish.

The best protection for that: vacuum your floor regularly with a good parquet brush.

Preventive measures and tips for maintaining your floor

- Doormats at all entrances (prevents sand, dirt etc. from being carried in)
- Apply special felt pads under sliding objects, like tables, chairs, couches etc. etc.
- Never use a hard brush to sweep your floor
- Never drag heavy furniture or objects. This may result in deep scratches in the finish
- Never use maintenance products intended for wax floors. These products will accumulate and result in a slippery , scratchy floor.
- Never use chemical products, such as ammonia, vinegar, turpentine etc. etc.
- Never use products intended for lacquer finishes such as polish
- Spilling small amounts of liquid like wine, soda, coffee, water etc. etc. or dirt on floor which are still wet: Clean asap with light damp cloth and dry with dry cloth.
- Spilling small amounts of liquid like wine, soda, coffee, water etc. etc. or dirt on floor which are completely dried: Clean asap with light damp cloth and dry with dry cloth.

In case of questions about maintenance or maintenance products, always ask your installer or dealer.

Important! The humidity level of the house must be maintained between 40% and 65% all year long, this to prevent possible damage not covered by warranty such as surface cracks, checking, split, bow, crook or delaminating. Installation of a humidifier or dehumidifier may be necessary.

Wood is a living product which reacts to humidity level variations. During summer, where the humidity level is at its highest point, the wood has a natural expansion and absorbs the humidity, these variations must be dealt with adequate dehumidification.

As for winter, when the heating system is working, the humidity level is lower. It is then recommended to use a humidifier to minimize the extreme effects of shrinkage. The floor is designed to perform in an environmentally controlled structure.