

Maintenance instructions for wooden floors and stairs with ProVital surface for the private living area



The ProVital surface is a natural oiled finish surface consisting of natural, vegetable raw materials such as sunflower, safflower and soya oil as well as natural waxes that penetrate deeply into the pores. It's a two-stage system consisting of ProVital oil and ProVital Finish. Both components are applied in the factory at Weitzer Parkett. The following care instructions are of great importance for ensuring that parquet floors or stairs retain their beautiful, refined appearance for as long as possible.

General Instructions

Surface Characteristics

With its natural components, the ProVital surface protects your parquet or stairs from intruding liquids, to a great extent. Depending on the degree of wear and tear, this coating is subject to natural and inevitable wear (dirt, specks of dust, mechanical strain ...). Regular care helps to reduce premature wear.

We cannot accept responsibility for floors which are not maintained according to Weitzer Parkett's instructions.

The ProVital surface achieves its final hardness through oxidative processes after about four weeks. The more gently the floor is treated during the first days and weeks, the longer the coating will last.

Initially the floor should be dry cleaned gently, using a broom or vacuum cleaner.

Care should be taken when moving furniture and other heavy objects. Ensure suitable felt pads (e.g. with a plastic support) are attached to the legs of tables and chairs. Caster chairs are to be equipped with soft rollers (type W). For an office environment we recommend using suitable pads.

Colour Behaviour

After the floor has been installed, exposure to sunlight can cause changes in the colour of the wood. These changes depend on the intensity of the light. Different wood species react differently to light in terms of the strength, speed and nature of these changes (yellowing, darkening or bleaching).

Room Air

Wood is a natural product. This means that wood absorbs or emits moisture, depending on the surrounding atmospheric conditions. This results in a swelling or a shrinking of the floor.

Generally, this should not be seen as something negative, but rather as a natural behaviour of a natural material! In order to minimize the changes in dimension, we recommend keeping an ideal temperature of 20°C and relative humidity of 50% throughout the year.

This is particularly important during the heating period, since the drying process can result in cracks within the parquet. A humidifier at the beginning of the heating period can be very useful here. Please also be aware of the fact that you can save heating energy because lower temperatures are not conceived as uncomfortable if humidity is high.

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Cleaning

ProVital Clean & Care or WP Cleaning Soap No. 20

ProVital Clean & Care or WP Cleaning Soap can be used for regular cleaning with well wrung-out cleaning textiles. Both products are solvent-free and biodegradable and contain vegetable soaps for efficient and gentle cleaning.

Application: Regular cleaning removes loosely adhering soiling that cannot be eliminated by vacuuming or sweeping. Application is done moist with a suitable working device (mop, cotton cloth) where attention is given to not using too much water. More heavily soiled areas can be reworked with a cotton cloth. The frequency of regular cleaning depends on wear and tear of the floor. In the private area it is some two to four times per month, in heavily travelled areas such as kitchens or dining rooms also weekly or daily.

It is generally important not to flood the floor during cleaning, since otherwise water penetrates into the abutting edges and can lead to unsightly water stains.

Dosage: two capfuls in about 5 L of water

Should a thorough cleaning be required, please contact your expert dealer. Thorough cleaning is done, when the floor exhibits unsightly care films as well as stubbornly adhering soiling.

Care

ProVital Maintenance Spray

ProVital Maintenance Spray is based on natural, vegetable raw materials such as carnauba and candelilla wax. Regular care with ProVital Maintenance Spray protects, regenerates and refreshes the parquet floor's surface.

Application: Spray the care wax on the dust-free floor and distribute it evenly, without excess, using a clean mop or cotton cloth. Allow to dry. Never use steel wool, sharp fibre mop (micro-fibre) or abrasive cleaning agents. In case of application on a new floor (or newly finished floor), do not use too generously, otherwise the Maintenance Spray may run off the surface.

For color oiled surfaces, the Maintenance Spray is available in corresponding colors. Attention should be paid that the coloured spray mist does not stain furniture or walls. After thin, even application, it is recommended that the coloured wax is distributed along the wood fibres and wiped clean in order to match differing application amounts and colouring.

Application frequency as needed. In heavily used areas (kitchen, bellow dining table etc.) application once a month is recommended.

Consumption:

A 500 mL spray suffices for 100 m². The consumption can vary greatly depending on wear and tear of floor.

Safety Instructions

Keep cleaning and care agents out of the reach of children. Do not pour into containers intended for eating, drinking or other food. Keep away from food, beverages and feedstuffs. When eye contact occurs, immediately flush with clear water and consult a physician.

All ProVital care and cleaning products must be shaken well before use!

The WEITZER PARKETT team would be glad to give any further information.

