

STRATOS/GRAVITY CARE & MAINTENANCE

NATURAL OIL AND UV-CURED FLOORS

Since inception our goal was to create a flooring solution that was truly different. PurParquet is easy to maintain, durable and above all else; a healthy, responsible choice in hardwood flooring. Natural Oil or UV-Cured Oil finished flooring do not have a wear through Guarantee as the finish is an organic element that will wear off with regular use. The natural oils penetrate the grain and become part of the floor, as opposed to the traditional polyurethane methods that are applied on the surface of the wood. Following our step-by-step maintenance guidelines will ensure optimal results and longevity of the product.

COLOUR CHANGES

It is important to note that oiled and UV-cured floors will undergo a change in colour/slight fading as it adjusts to the ambient light conditions of the installation environment. The degree of colour change will vary on the specific environment and exposure to direct sunlight. It is recommended to use window treatments when possible. Do not place area rugs on the new floor for sixty days after installation. Thereafter, periodic re-arrangement of furniture and area rugs will ensure that your floor ages evenly.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS

Maintaining the temperature and relative humidity of the spaces the flooring is installed is very important. We recommend a temperature of 65-75°F (18-24°C) and humidity at 40-60% at all times. Very dry climates may also require the use of a humidifier. Hardwood flooring reacts to changes in the environment. Excessive heat or dryness can result in gapping or splitting; excessive humidity can result in cupping. Gapping, splitting, cupping or other problems resulting from exposure to improper environmental conditions are not covered by the product warranty.

RADIANT HEAT SYSTEM

If the floor is installed over a radiant heating system, never allow the surface temperature of the floor to exceed 82°F (27°C). Avoid dramatic temperature changes; always adjust the system gradually in 5°C increments. It is recommended that a dedicated quick recovery thermostat be installed to allow the temperature of the radiant heating system to be accurately controlled.

THERE ARE NO OTHER EXPRESS OR LIMITED WARRANTIES EXCEPT AS SET FORTH ABOVE.

DURING CONSTRUCTION

ALWAYS protect your natural oil/UV-cured floors during construction. We recommend covering the floors with a hardboard, paper or cardboard. Do not use tape to secure protection directly on wood floor. For best results, vacuum the floors thoroughly to remove any debris that may scratch the floor once the protective surface is in place.

AFTER INSTALLATION

Once the construction is complete, remove the protective surface.

1. Vacuum the floor areas thoroughly with a soft bristle brush.
2. Liberally apply LOBA® Parkett Oil on the surface of your floors with a terry cloth mop or beige buffing pad. For best results, apply the product evenly by hand or buffing machine.
**All smooth, non-wirebrushed surfaces will require a final coat of natural oil. Please speak to your representative or retailer for details.
3. Leave product to dry for at least 2 hours before resuming regular traffic in this area.

REGULAR MAINTENANCE

1. Vacuum the floor areas thoroughly with a soft bristle brush. Alternatively, you can use a broom to sweep the surface. It is important to keep your floor clean and free of dust, sand and other abrasive materials.
2. Apply LOBA® Hardwood Floor Cleaner to terrycloth mop head and wipe the surface of your floor. We do not recommend spraying the product directly onto the floor or substituting the LOBA®

Hardwood Floor Cleaner with any other brand of hardwood flooring cleaner.

3. Allow for the product to dry before resuming regular traffic in this area.

DO NOT USE ANY HOUSEHOLD CLEANERS, OILS, SOAPS, WAXES OR ANY ABRASIVE MATERIALS OR SCOURING AGENTS ON THE FLOOR.

YEARLY MAINTENANCE

We recommend re-applying the LOBA® Parkett Oil when you notice your floors looking dull. This is generally once a year. Follow the "After Installation" instructions for this procedure.

You can also apply LOBA® Parket Oil to rejuvenate your floors.

1. Vacuum the floor areas thoroughly with a soft bristle brush.
2. Apply LOBA® Parket Oil using a cotton or terry cloth rag. Do not apply force during this process.
4. Allow the oil to be absorbed. For best results, leave product to dry for at least 4 hours before resuming regular traffic in this area.

REMOVING STAINS & SCRATCHES

Our natural oil and UV-cured finishes are designed to penetrate the woods surface and essentially dry and harden within the wood grain. This type of finish allows for easy stain and scratch repairs.

FOR NATURAL OILS- SCRATCHES

1. Clean affected area with LOBA® Hardwood Floor Cleaner.
2. Once area is completely dry, apply appropriate impact oil to scratch. Please consult with dealer for proper color selection and methods.
3. Allow oil to penetrate for approx. 20-30min, no longer than 60 min.
4. Remove excess oil with LOBA® brown pad.
5. Allow for the product to dry for 12 hrs. before resuming regular traffic in this area.

FOR NATURAL OILS- MILD STAINS

1. Clean affected area with LOBA® Hardwood Floor Cleaner.
2. Once area is completely dry, apply LOBA® Parkett Oil to stain. Rub the affected area lightly using a white cotton cloth.
3. Wipe affected area clean of any contaminants using LOBA® Hardwood Floor Cleaner.
4. Once dry, re-apply LOBA® Parkett Oil to area and allow to dry, approx.2hrs

FOR NATURAL OILS- DEEP STAINS

Please contact your dealer or retailer for specific instructions.

FOR UV-CURED FLOORS:

1. Clean affected area with LOBA® Hardwood Floor Cleaner.
2. Once area is completely dry, touch up area with corresponding touch-up stick. Please consult with dealer for proper color selection.

PLEASE NOTE: All touch ups to a UV-cured floor will be slightly more visible than floors finished with natural oils. This is due to the fact that the wood grain is semi-closed.

ADDITIONAL TIPS FOR PROTECTION

1. Place area rugs or doormats at entryways to help prevent sand, grit, oils, dirt and other abrasive or staining materials from being tracked onto the floor surface from outdoors. (Avoid rubber-backed or similarly dense matting materials that may trap moisture between the mat and the floor; choose mats that enable airflow instead.)
2. Place protective mats at high-use work areas such as sinks, ranges, service counters and workstations.
3. Protect the floor from any exposure to liquids, water and other forms of moisture. Blot up any spilled food, drink or other liquid immediately.
4. Never wet mop the floor when cleaning. Avoid walking on the floor with wet feet or footwear. Damage caused by flooding, broken pipes, wet mopping or any other exposure to liquid or moisture is not covered by the product warranty.
5. Put felt protector pads on the feet of all furniture, display stands, file cabinets and other accessories that will be placed directly onto the floor surface. Inspect regularly for wear and replace as necessary.
6. Avoid letting sharp or pointed objects come into contact with the floor surface. Do not walk on the floor with high heeled shoes, sports cleats, or other types of footwear which may damage the finish or cause indentations to the surface.
7. Maintain a minimum (40%) humidity level in the space.
8. Pets' nails will scratch and mark the floor surface. Keep pets' nails trimmed to minimize damage to the surface.
9. Do not drag, push or roll appliances, furniture or any heavy object across the floor. Use heavy duty moving mats, dollies, or other moving aids to protect the floor surface.

FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE FLOOR CARE INSTRUCTIONS MAY VOID THE WARRANTY.