

# Care & Maintenance for Hardwood

## Hardwood Care

You can protect your Mannington Wood Floor by following these easy guidelines.

- Use rugs at workstations, pivot-points (e.g., stair landings, room entries), and high-traffic areas to reduce wear, especially if you have a large family or indoor pets.
- Use mats at all exterior doors to keep sand, dirt, grit, grease, and oil outside.
- Keep pet's nails trimmed and paws clean and free of dirt, gravel, grease, oil, and stains.
- Place protective pads beneath furniture legs and feet to reduce scratches and dents.
- Use a dolly and protective sheets of plywood when moving heavy objects, furniture, or appliances.
- Make certain furniture casters are clean and operate properly (a minimum 1" width is recommended.)
- Remove shoes with spiked or damaged heels before walking on floor.
- Exposure to the sun and its UV rays accelerates the oxidation and aging of wood and fabrics. This causes the stain and/or wood to fade and/or change color. We recommend you rearrange rugs and furniture periodically so the floor ages evenly. The Mannington warranty does not cover damage from the sun and UV rays.

## Hardwood Maintenance

Here are some simple things you can do to keep your Mannington Wood Floor looking like new.

- Sweep or vacuum regularly, since built-up grit can damage the finish. The vacuum head must be a soft brush or felt type. Be certain the wheels of the vacuum are clean and do not damage the flooring. Do not use a vacuum with a beater bar head.
- Important: Never wet mop or flood your floor with water or other products. This can severely damage the floor.
- Remove spills promptly using a soft cloth.
- The use of Mannington care and maintenance products is highly recommended: UltraClean™ and UltraFinish® II.
- Important: Do not use oil soaps, liquid, or paste wax products or other household cleaners that contain lemon oil, tung oil, or ammonia since the Mannington warranty does not cover damage caused by non-recommended products.

## Hardwood Stain Solver

Even stubborn stains can be removed from your Mannington Wood Floor quickly and easily. Here's how to keep yours looking like new:

- Start with the first procedure listed.
- Only do the procedures necessary to resolve the problem. Always use a clean white cloth for wiping up stains, and turn it frequently to avoid spreading the stain.
- Rinse with clean water and allow area to dry between procedures.
- For items not covered by the following chart, call Mannington Consumer Services at 1-800-FLOOR-US (1-800-356-6787).

Stain/Problem	Procedure
Candle wax, chewing gum	Fill a plastic bag with ice and put it on the wax or gum until it becomes brittle enough to flake off.  Then wipe area with a clean cloth dampened with mineral spirits.
	With a clean cloth gently wipe any remaining particles off.
Cigarette burns	Scrape excess off with dull knife.  For shallow surface burns, rub gently with fine steel wool coated lightly with mineral spirits.  For deeper burns, scrape away charred areas with a small dull knife.  Then rub the surface with fine steel wool and mineral spirits once more. Use the Mannington touch-up kit to finish the job.
Food spills, lipstick, rubber scuffs	Simply apply mineral spirits to a clean cloth and rub gently.  Apply another dab and lightly buff with a separate clean cloth.
Minor Cuts, Burns, Gouges	Limit traffic over damaged area, cover with masking tape, contact your retailer or Mannington for advice.
Ink	Scrape excess off with dull knife.  With a clean cloth or paper towel, wipe affected area right away.  Then rub gently with a soft clean cloth dampened with mineral spirits.
Animal spots	Wipe up major portion immediately and thoroughly.  Then wipe area with a clean cloth dampened with UltraClean™.
<b>Caution</b>	Mineral spirits are a flammable liquid. Please follow precautions listed on the container.