

WOOD FLOORING · OILED

Maintenance of oiled parquet

The maintenance kit, first treatment, regular cleaning and yearly care for oiled and UV-oiled wood floors.

The maintenance kit

**WOCA Natural Soap · 1 litre**

A purpose-made quality soap. Its nourishing properties quickly close the pores of the wood and protect against dirt and the penetration of liquids. Available in Natural and White.

**WOCA Oil Refreshing Soap · 250 ml**

May be used on all oiled surfaces and is especially suitable for the yearly maintenance of wood surfaces. Available in Natural and White.

First treatment after installation

After installation, we advise a first cleaning with WOCA Oil Refreshing Soap.

1. Shake the container well. The floor must be free from dust before treatment.
2. Clean the floor with 125 ml Oil Refreshing Soap mixed into 5 litres of cold water.
3. Treat with a lightly wrung floor cloth or mop lengthwise along the floor. Immediately afterwards, dip the floor cloth or mop into the mixture and wipe the floor with a hard-wrung cloth or mop, again lengthwise along the wood.
4. Leave the floor to dry for approx. 2 hours before use.

14 days later you can start the regular maintenance with Natural Soap.

(Two-)weekly cleaning with Natural Soap

Natural Soap is ideal for the cleaning and maintenance of all oiled, UV-oiled or soaped wood surfaces.

1. Shake the Natural Soap well before use.
2. Mix 125 ml Natural Soap into 5 litres of cold water.
3. Always mop the floor with soapy water using a hard-wrung mop or cloth, to restore the protective soap film.
4. Leave the floor to dry for approx. 5–10 minutes before use.

Annual cleaning with Oil Refreshing Soap

Oil Refreshing Soap combines efficient cleaning with re-oiling: additional oil penetrates into the wood and forms a matt protective layer on the surface. Oiled floors should be maintained regularly — normally once a year, but more often for floors exposed to very heavy wear.

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10 tips for optimal care

1. Clean the floor regularly with a vacuum cleaner or soft broom; particles of dirt and grit that are left behind can damage the surface of the floor.
 2. Place doormats at exterior doors.
 3. Place beige felt floor protectors under chair and table legs; do not use coloured floor protectors.
 4. Avoid wearing damaged or worn stiletto heels.
 5. Place a protective mat under chairs with wheels.
 6. Remove stains immediately with a well-wrung cloth. Worn-in stains are difficult to remove.
 7. Never use too much water when mopping; use a well-wrung floor cloth instead. Never clean the floor with pure water; always use a maintenance product suited to your floor's finish (oiled parquet). Do not use traditional cleaning products. Microfibre cloths can damage your floor over time.
 8. Place a protective dish under flowerpots. Do not place buckets directly on the floor, but on a dry mop.
 9. Do not drag heavy objects across the floor; lift them to avoid scratches.
 10. Be careful with open windows — a rain shower can damage the floor.
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Air humidity level

In the case of problems with a wooden floor, the cause is too low air humidity in 90% of cases. With a wooden floor, always make sure there is sufficient air humidity in the house. **The ideal level is between 40 and 55%.** Too low air humidity can cause irreparable cracks, rising of planks, etc. So it is certainly worthwhile to keep an eye on this with a hygrometer and, if necessary, to use a humidifier. Be especially alert in winter.