

## CARE AND MAINTENANCE

Proper care and maintenance will help ensure your floor always looks its best. Simply follow our maintenance and prevention steps outlined below to protect your investment and safeguard your warranty:



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### Initial Care:

Following installation, clean with a cleaner designed for real wood floors with an aluminum oxide finish. If the floor was glued down, remove any residual adhesive with the appropriate adhesive remover.

### Ongoing Routine Care and Maintenance:

- Vacuum, sweep or dust mop your floor once a week, or more if needed. The vacuum head must be brush or felt, and a wand attachment is preferable. Do not use vacuums with beater bars or hard heads. A swivel-head mop with terry cloth cover is also recommended to eliminate finer particles of grit and dirt that can act like sandpaper on hardwood floors.
  - Spills and tracked-in dirt should be wiped up immediately.
  - Never apply wax treatments to your urethane-coated floor.
  - Regularly clean the floor with swivel-head mop with cloth cover. Spray a wood floor cleaner directly onto the floor or on the mop cover. DO NOT allow excess cleaner to remain on the floor's surface. Excess liquid may damage the fiber of the wood.
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- **NEVER CLEAN OR WET MOP WITH WATER.** Water may permanently damage the floor.
  - Area rugs are recommended in front of kitchen sinks, at all pivot points and within high-traffic areas. Do not use rugs with solid rubber or vinyl backings. The rugs must be made of a breathable material to prevent moisture entrapment.
  - Use interior and exterior doormats at all entrances to collect dirt and moisture and prevent it from being tracked onto the floor.
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- **NEVER USE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING PRODUCTS (OR PRODUCTS SIMILAR IN NATURE) ON YOUR FLOOR:** ammonia-based cleaners, acrylic finishes, wax-based products, detergents, bleach, polishes, oil soap, abrasive cleaning soaps, or acidic materials such as vinegar. Many of these products can pit or etch the finish of your flooring or prevent the proper use of recommended maintenance materials.
  - Keep animal nails trimmed to minimize finish scratches.
  - Do not damage your floor with shoes having heel taps or sharp objects protruding from the sole such as rocks, exposed nails and gravel.
  - Avoid walking on wood floors with spike- or stiletto-heeled shoes. Spike or stiletto high-heels must be properly maintained to prevent damage from the steel heel support.
  - Do not roll or slide heavy objects directly upon the floor. When moving appliances or heavy furniture, consider laying a solid protective covering on your floor and gently "walk" the item across it. Carpet or cardboard is not adequate to prevent surface compression scratches.
  - Use furniture leg protector pads under all furniture and make certain to keep them clean and well maintained.
  - Replace hard, narrow furniture rollers with wide rubber rollers.
  - Keep the relative humidity in your home between 35% and 55%.
  - Protect your floor from direct sunlight. Use curtains and UV resistant film on large glass doors and windows.
  - Real wood will expand and contract with change in humidity, this affect can be minimized with the use of humidity control in the home, as well as proper acclimation prior to installation.



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### 15-YEAR WARRANTY

#### Who is Covered?

All warranties in this Limited Warranty Guide are given only to the original retail (end user) purchaser of our product. Our warranties are not transferable.

#### What is Covered and For How Long?

The limited warranties are subject to the product applications, limitations, disclaimers and exclusions described below and are effective for floors purchased after May 1, 2008. All warranties begin from the date of retail purchase.

We warrant to the original retail purchaser that the wood flooring in its original manufactured condition will be free from defects in lamination and assembly for as long as you own the product.

We warrant to the original retail purchaser that the finish on the covered product will not wear through, and that the finish will not separate from the wood flooring under normal household use when maintained in accordance with our recommended maintenance guidelines for a period of 15 years.

We warrant that the covered products meet our quality standards. You or your installer should carefully inspect the products before installation for any milling, dimension or visual defects. Any uncut pieces that appear to have defects should be returned to the original place of purchase; those pieces that do not meet our specifications will be replaced. Since wood is a natural product, there will be natural variations in color, tone and grain that are not covered by this warranty. This pre-installation warranty expires upon installation.

#### What Are You Responsible For Under Our Warranties?

To be covered under our warranties you need to retain your sales slip and all documents related to the flooring purchase. Flooring must be properly installed in accordance with our installation instructions. FloorSource Wood Flooring strongly advocates the use of a licensed, experienced installer for best results. If using a professional wood flooring licensed installer, you may be asked for the name and license number. **You must also keep your proof of pre-installation moisture test results as we may request this information from you when submitting a claim under this warranty.** You must also properly care for your new floor using our easy-to-follow maintenance instructions.

#### What Will We Do If Any Of The Covered Events Occur?

If any of the covered events occur within the warranty period, FloorSource will recoat, refinish, fill or furnish comparable flooring (of FloorSource manufacture and of similar color, pattern, and quality), for either the repair of the defective area or the replacement of the floor, at FloorSource's sole option. In such event, and on the condition that your floor was professionally installed, FloorSource will also hire an installer/repairman of FloorSource's choice and pay all reasonable labor costs for the direct repairs or replacement within the first five years of the warranty period or the length of the warranty period, whichever is less. If you did not use a professional, licensed installer, FloorSource assumes no responsibility for any labor cost associated with such repairs or replacement. In the event that we are unable to correct the problem after a reasonable number of attempts, or if the replacement or repairs fails in the same manner a second time, we will refund the portion of the purchase price for the section of failed flooring. These warranties do not include removal or replacement of cabinets and other fixtures or furniture. These are the exclusive remedies under this warranty if a defect or other warranted condition occurs. We reserve the right to verify any claims or defect by inspection and have samples removed for technical analysis.

