

MAINTENANCE OF LACQUERED FLOORS (DOMESTIC USE)

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DAILY CLEANING

For daily cleaning, use dry methods such as vacuuming or an almost dry microfiber mop.

Place a doormat both outside and inside the front door to prevent dirt and gravel from being brought in, which can otherwise cause unnecessary wear on the floors. Attach protective pads to furniture (avoid metal ones, as they can stain and scratch wooden floors) to prevent marks and scratches. Replace the furniture pads regularly.

REGULAR MAINTENANCE

Make sure the surface is free from any dirt or debris that could scratch it by vacuuming or dry mopping. If necessary, use a mild, pH-neutral cleaner, such as Kährs Cleaner or Kährs Spray Cleaner. Dilute the cleaner in lukewarm water according to the dosage instructions on the bottle or use the ready-to-use Spray Cleaner.

Damp-clean the floor as needed using a well-wrung mop or floor cloth. Only lightly dampen the floor. The thin film of water left by the cloth must dry within one minute. Do not allow spilled water to remain. The frequency of damp cleaning depends on the level of use and contamination.

Note: Never pour water onto wood floors. Use a cloth dampened with water and wrung dry.

STAIN REMOVAL

Remove stains as soon as possible following the advice given below. Use strong stain-removers with care, because using too much or rubbing too hard can affect the lacquer surface.

MAINTENANCE ON DEMAND

Kährs Matt Lacquer Refresher is an easy-to-use product for refreshing finished Karelia matt-lacquered wooden floors. It helps renew the surface and provides the wood with a protective layer that simplifies cleaning and maintenance. It is not a substitute for re-lacquering.

Note: The more coats that are applied, the higher the gloss level.

The floor to be treated must be clean and free from polish, wax, and other contaminants. Vacuum thoroughly and remove all traces of grease by damp cleaning using Kährs Cleaner. Dilute Kährs Cleaner in lukewarm water according to the dosage instructions. Then wipe the surface with a well-wrung mop or cloth.

For very dirty floors, or if the surface has been treated with polish or other products, first clean the floor using Kährs Remover.

When the floor is clean and ready to be treated with Kährs Lacquer Refresher:

1. Apply the Kährs Lacquer Refresher or Kährs Matt Lacquer Refresher with a damp mop or cloth.
2. Let the Refresher dry for minimum 45 minutes before replacing furniture. Heavier items as well as rugs need curing for at least 24 hours. Good ventilation and normal room temperature (20°C) minimize the drying time.
3. Allow floor to dry for a few hours without wear.

MINOR DAMAGES

For minor scratches, a touch-up lacquer can be used to conceal and seal the damage. For larger and more visible damage, repair kits with melting wax are available for filling, sealing, and surface finishing



FACTORY-LACQUERED FINISHES

STAIN	REMOVE WITH
Asphalt, rubber, oil, shoe polish, soot and dried residues of chocolate or grease	Surgical spirit, petroleum ether or similar
Crayons, lipstick, felt tip pens	Surgical spirit
Candle wax, chewing gum	Freeze-spray or put a plastic bag of ice cubes on the mark, then scrape off carefully
Blood	Cold water