



Shawnee Series

UV Urethane
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Lasting beauty of your floor can be achieved through proper care and regular maintenance. Failure to follow these guidelines can void your warranty. Visit www.opusfloors.ca to get more maintenance information.



UV URETHANE MAINTENANCE

Read before installation

I

■ Humidity

In order for your new Opus hardwood floor to perform properly, the installed area must have the relative humidity maintained between a range of 30% to 55%. Under no circumstances is the relative humidity levels for this product to fall below 30%. This will ensure the product will perform properly and maintain its warranty. It is the responsibility of the installer, to ensure that the moisture content of the new Opus hardwood is between 6 and 8% and the subfloor must be within 3% of the moisture content of the new Opus hardwood floor.

■ Acclimatization

All wood products must acclimate in your home before installation begins.

The subfloor should be ideally within 2% moisture of the hardwood.

II

■ UV Urethane Finish

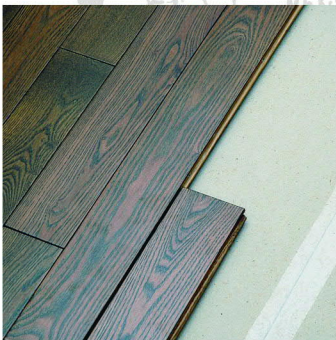
Some Opus hardwood floors are finished with UV Urethane, which is cured into the surface during the manufacturing process. With today's advancements in UV finishes, cleaning your wood floors has never been easier. Regular maintenance requires little more than sweeping with a soft bristle broom or vacuuming with a soft floor attachment. It is also recommended that your floor is cleaned periodically with a recommended professional UV urethane hardwood floor cleaning product. If unsure what type of finish your Opus wood floor has, please clarify with the sales professional from the business you purchased the product.

III

■ After Installation

After initial installation, sweep, vacuum, dust mop or damp mop (never wet) the new hardwood flooring to remove all loose dirt and grit.

- Protect all products from direct sunlight and the direct flow of heat from hot air registers, radiators and other appliances, as these conditions can cause discolouration and/or damage your floor.
- **DO NOT** use the beater bar attachment on your vacuum.
- **DO NOT** permit standing water
- Opus does not recommend the use of under cushion, mats or rugs with rubber or latex backing as they may cause permanent discolouration.



IV

■ Prevention

The single greatest cause of damage to any flooring or floor finish is abrasion from dirt and grit.

Wherever possible, use walk off mats at entrances and doorways. Always use non-staining floor protectors under heavy furniture, chairs, and tables. Felt pad protectors are best. Always use chair mats under rolling chairs or where heavy abrasion may occur.

If you are not sure about care or maintenance of your new floor, please contact your Opus Floors Retailer or Opus Floors.

V

■ **Daily/Ongoing Maintenance for UV Urethane Products**

Daily Cleaning

Clean you Opus hardwood floor using a professional properly diluted Neutral pH cleaner in cool water or ready to use spray



cleaner that will not leave a residue. Bona UV urethane hardwood cleaner or equivalent is also recommended. These are typically available in a pre-mixed spray bottle. Follow Label Instructions.

VI

- **Important Things you need to know about hardwood.**
 - **Character of wood:** Wood is a natural product and like organic materials, it has character and quirks. It is important to have realistic expectations about how any wood will look and perform. The actual product will never look exactly the same as showroom samples, as every board is naturally different.
 - **Appearance:** With the exception of Walnut, which fades, the majority of wood species naturally darken with age.
 - **Hardness and Durability:** All wood species scratch, dent and scuff regardless of finish warranties.