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UV Cured Oiled Floors

Why are UV cured oiled floors better than Lacquered finished floor?

Lacquered floors will have between 3 to 9 coats of lacquer which is like a varnish and sits on top on the timber. The commercial grade finished lacquers will have 9 coats and cheap versions for residential will have 3 coats. There is a misconception about lacquered floor regarding their maintenance.

The fact is that lacquered floors can be damaged like any other and spot repairs are impossible to match and you will need to re-sand the whole surface. Lacquered floors can also have “dents” in the lacquered surface because it sits on top of the wood.

We use the latest technology to finish our floors and have fitted our UV cured oiled floors in restaurants, office, museums and hotels which are all high traffic areas.

UV Oiled Cured oiled floors are finished at the factory under a UV coating line and is cured in the factory with UV lights. The three coats we apply on the finishing line seal in the natural oils protecting the cell structure of the wood and fully sealing all the grain. **The floor does not need another coat of oil once it is installed.** A Natural Oiled floor must be treated again with another coat of oil as soon as it is installed.

Just like Lacquered floors you cannot apply another coat of oil to a UV Oiled floor as it will not bond together or penetrate the floor. It is a misconception that lacquered and matt lacquered floors protect floors better. The fact is UV cured oiled floors can offer a better protective layer in terms of durability and wear and tear than lacquered floors.

Unlike lacquer finishes which only provide protection from above, oil finishes with a UV cured top coat provide protection from both the inside and outside. The oil penetrates deeply into the wood providing long-term protection while the UV cured top coat leaves a protective layer on the surface sealing the grain to protect the floor. Scratches on your floor tend to be less visible on oiled floors. UV Cured oiled floors are also easier to spot repair and maintain over the long term. The cleaning and maintenance is easy with the Blanchon Soap and we provide a free cleaning leaflet with all our floors.

For all our UV Cured oiled floors we lightly brush the surface first to remove the softer grain so that the board has a totally mat finishes between 5% to 8% gloss.

Natural looking boards are always finished with oil or UV cured oil because lacquer will always be smooth and look shiny even if it is the Bona Commercial grade with a 12% gloss level. It is very difficult to get a lacquer with a lower gloss level.

