Care instructions for Admonter Natural Floors

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Basic requirements

The durability and resilience of a wood floor are dependent on regular and correct cleaning and, above all, care. This will extend the lifespan of your floor many times over. Before any cleaning or maintenance activities, the floor must be cleaned of loose dust and dirt by sweeping or vacuuming. In the case of stubborn dirt, the floor must be cleaned using Admonter Clean&Care. Carry out care and cleaning processes while the floor is only slightly damp, not wet. Do not pour mopping water on the floor. Soiling (e.g., drinks) should be removed immediately. Please do not use microfibre cloths.
Clean&Care contains both cleaning and care substances, but is not sufficient as the sole means of care for oiled floors. The appropriate cleaning and care products can be found in the relevant product data sheet (www.admonter.com). Renovations and repairs should only be carried out by a specialist company!

EasyCare surface finish: ready-to-use, finished oiled surface, no initial care treatment is necessary (except for Selection small formats). In heavily used private or commercial areas, an initial care treatment with Admonter care oil (apply sparingly) can also be carried out for additional protection

ProCare surface finish: surface is pre-oiled in the factory, initial care treatments is mandatory (see care (initial care treatment + re-oiling) ProCare)

Routine cleaning - Pro Care & Easy Care

Mix 10 litres of warm water with 100ml Clean&Care (shake well before use) and wipe the floor, making it slightly damp, in the direction of the grain. The dosage depends on the visual appearance; especially if the floor has lost its colour intensity and appears greyish or dull, up to 250ml (avoid streaking) can be used with 10 litres of water.

We recommend mopping using a 2-bucket system: the mop that is soiled through mopping should be washed out in clear water from bucket 2. Then immerse the mop in bucket 1 again and continue the mopping process using the Clean&Care water mixture. Allow the floor to dry well before further maintenance. For a little more shine, the surface can be polished with a white pad or a soft cloth after it has dried.

Care (re-oiling) - For **Easy care** natural oiled finishes

Oiled floors should be re-oiled as required, depending on how much they are used. Shake the Admonter EasyCare care oil well and apply sparingly to the floor using a commercially available spray bottle and distribute evenly straight away using an application pad. 1 litre is sufficient for approx. 70–100m², although the amount applied can vary due to the varying absorption properties of the natural material wood. The Admonter EasyCare are oil must then be polished in with a suitable buffing machine, using a white* pad, in the direction of the grain. Continue until the oil is thoroughly polished into the surface. Avoid residual liquid and untreated surfaces at all costs, otherwise differences in the degree of gloss will remain visible after drying!

Let the floor dry for approx. 24 hours; avoid getting it wet. Depending on the polishing properties, the temperature and the humidity, drying can take 2–7 days. Drying can be accelerated accordingly by means of regular air exchange (intermittent bursts of intense ventilation) in combination with the underfloor heating. The area can be walked on with slippers during this time, but soiling and moisture must be avoided. Highly frequented areas must be covered if necessary, but the covers must be removed again after work is complete and overnight for optimal drying. Only clean floors by making them damp again after they have completely hardened. Rinse out oil-soaked cloths with water and allow them to dry out in the open (risk of spontaneous combustion!)

Care (initial care treatment & re-oiling) - For **Pro care** natural oiled finishes

Pro Care surfaces must be re-oiled as required after installation (initial care treatment) and depending on how much they are used. Shake the Admonter Pro Care care oil well and apply it sparingly to the floor using a commercially available spray bottle and distribute it evenly using an application pad. 1 litre is sufficient for approx. 40–70m², although the amount applied may vary due to the varying absorption properties of the natural material wood. Polish in the Admonter ProCare care oil with a suitable buffing machine using a white* pad in the direction of the grain. Continue until the oil is thoroughly polished into the surface. Avoid residual liquid and untreated surfaces at all costs, otherwise differences in the degree of gloss will remain visible after drying!

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In heavily used private or commercial areas, the initial care treatment can alternatively be carried out using Admonter commercial oil (apply sparingly). To do this, proceed in the same way as above, but note the following:
Due to the significantly reduced drying time, large areas can either be worked on by several people at the same time (1st person does care treatment and 2nd person polishes afterwards) or can be divided into smaller, manageable sections by masking these off. If possible, manual oiling in the edge area should be carried out by a second person at the same time as the surface. Depending on the polishing properties, the amount applied, the temperature and the relative humidity, drying normally takes 0.5 to 2 days.

Matt lacquered finish

After installation, wipe the dust-free floor with Admonter Clean&Care in the direction of the grain (roughly 100 ml to 10 litres of warm water). After it has dried, the shine can be optimised by repolishing using a machine with a *white pad or manually with a cotton cloth.

*Pad colours are based on 3M products

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