

# HARDWOOD FLOOR CARE SHEETS

# DO:

- Place felt protectors on the bottom of all chairs or other furniture. These protectors can get worn and dirty, so clean and change them regularly.
- Use area rugs or mats at all exit and pivot points. For example, at the front door, in front of a sink, or a refrigerator.
- Move any rugs or objects on the floor periodically. The exposed wood floors will oxidize in the sunlight and change color.
- Vacuum, sweep, or dust mop as needed.

### DO NOT USE:

- Murphy's Oil soap, Method, or other polish products.
- Quick Shine, Rejuvenate, Mop and Glo, Orange Glo, or other floor shine, renewal, refinisher, etc.
- Floor steamers are not recommended to clean the hardwood floor.
- Polish products interfere with the recoating the floor. These household products cause the finish to dull, smudge, scuff, and make your floors harder to clean.

## **CLEANING:**

- Tough spots can be first wiped with a dish soap solution.
- "Loba" Hardwood Floor Cleaner Concentrate or "Bona" Non Residue are recommended. These products
  are engineered for all wood floors. Loba is available on Amazon or other internet sites. Bona can be found
  in a Home Center.
- Use a damp mop with ½ cup of vinegar to 1 gallon of water. Be careful not to over wet the mop.

# **GAPPING:**

Northern states are tough states for hardwood floors as the humidity changes from season to season.
 Gaps will occur in the winter and the floors may swell in the summer. This is normal.

### **RENEWAL PROCESS: BUFF & COAT**

Buff & Coat removes minor surface scratches and dirt that has penetrated into the surface finish.
 Afterward, you will have an even consistent finish throughout the floor. You should Buff & Coat your floors every 5-7 years depending on how hard you are on the floors. The entire Buff & Coat process takes only one day, and we use a dust and odor free technique that is as easy as your lifestyle as it is on your floors. Buff & Coat costs ½ the cost of a complete re-sanding. If areas are neglected too long and the finish is worn through, then a re-sanding is required.

On Behalf all of us at Buff & Coat, We would like to thank you for your business!