

## Care instruction for wooden floors with ProStrong or ProActive+ surface in areas of commercial use



### General Instructions

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#### **ProStrong**

Pre-finished lacquered sealing, consisting of 7 matched eco friendly layers in a satin gloss optical appearance.

#### **ProActive+**

Combines the advantages of the ProStrong surface finish (maintenance-free) with the appearance of the natural oiled finish ProVital.

#### **Characteristics of the surface finish**

The ProStrong and ProActive+ surface finishes protect your floor by covering them with a seamless film in order to prevent the wood from absorbing in dirt.

In heavily frequented rooms, this layer is subject in the course of time to a natural and unavoidable wear (by dint of dirt, dust particles, mechanical stress ...). By applying care on a regular basis premature wear can be reduced.

We cannot accept responsibility for floors which are not maintained according to Weitzer Parkett's instructions.

Carpets (slide stoppers) are suitable for sealed wooden floors. Care should be taken when moving furniture and other heavy objects. Ensure suitable felt pads (e.g. with a plastic support) are added to the legs of tables and chairs. Caster chairs are to be equipped with soft rollers (type S). For an office environment we recommend using suitable pads.

#### **Colour Behavior**

Sunlight can change the color of the wood, depending on the light's intensity. Different kinds of wood react differently in terms of degree (e.g. yellowing, darkening or bleaching).

#### **Room Air**

Wood is a natural product. This means that wood absorbs or emits moisture, depending on the surrounding atmospheric conditions. This results in a swelling or a shrinking of the floor.

Generally, this should not be seen as something negative, but rather as a natural behavior of a natural material! In order to minimize the change in dimension, we recommend to keep an ideal temperature of 20°C and relative humidity of 50% throughout the year.

This is particularly important during the heating period, since the drying process can result in cracks within the parquet. A humidifier at the beginning of the heating period can be very useful here. Please also be aware of the fact that you can save heating energy because lower temperatures are not conceived as uncomfortable if humidity is high.

### Impregnation of abutting edges

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#### **ProStrong / ProActive+ Finish**

A professional initial care of solid strip parquet and 2-layer parquet with a ProStrong or ProActive+ surface is recommended for impregnation of the abutting edges in the area of commercial use. The ProStrong or ProActive+ Finish is used for it (see DS 035). By dint of its specially developed finish, the abutting edges are protected against water permeation.

### Cleaning and Care

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#### **ProStrong / ProActive+ Cleaner**

Ph-adjusted for ProStrong or ProActive+, respectively, is a highly concentrated cleaning product which can be used either for regular cleaning or for a thorough cleaning.

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- **Regular cleaning:** approx. 100 ml with 10 l of water

The regular cleaning procedure removes slight dirt stains which cannot be removed with a vacuum cleaner or a broom. This should be carried out using a well wrung out mop, the area should not be flooded. Heavy dirt stains can be reworked manually with a cotton cloth or a soft sponge. The frequency of the regular cleaning procedure depends on the level of wear and the contamination of the floor: in a public area or in generally heavily used rooms weekly or possibly daily.

- **Thorough cleaning:** 1-2 l with 10 l of water

A thorough cleaning is to be carried out when the floor is covered with unsightly cleaning coats or adhered dirt.

We recommend the thorough cleaning procedure to be carried out by an expert using a cleaning machine and a white pad. A rough sponge or a scrub may also be used. The surface should then be wiped with clear water to remove residues from the detergent, then left to dry completely.

The frequency of the thorough cleaning procedure depends on the level of wear and the contamination of the floor: in a public area or in generally heavily used rooms once every six months or even more frequently!

### WP Cleaning Soap

For regular cleaning with a well wrung out mop, the biodegradable WP cleaning soap can be used. This is a high-quality, highly-concentrated soap combination made of natural vegetable oils. However, a thorough cleaning with WP cleaning soap is not possible.

- **Dosage:** approx. 25-30 ml with 10 l of water

Generally, it is crucial not to flood the floor, since water can get into the joints resulting in unsightly water marks. Other cleaning products should not be used because these may harm the lacquered surface too much and may lead to premature signs of wear

### Care – ProStrong / ProActive+ Polish

The water-based care products have excellent adhesive characteristics on ProStrong or ProMatt Surfaces.

Before the Polish can be applied, a regular cleaning must be carried out and dried completely. After that ProMatt Polish must be applied in a very thin coating, not more than 30-40 ml Polish per m<sup>2</sup>. The Polish should be spread and then polished with a suitable implement (e.g. cotton cloth...). Streaks will occur if too much Polish has been used! Too much Polish must be avoided. Please ensure, that you do not work in areas that are already drying because this will cause streaks. Excessive Polish must be removed. The surface should be dry after 30 minutes, an ideal air temperature of 20°C and relative humidity of 50% is recommended. We also recommend sufficient ventilation.

A care with ProStrong Polish should be carried out after each basic cleaning. In the public area or heavily frequented rooms, a polish application is done two to four times a year, according to requirements.

**Drying Times:** All drying times are calculated at 20°C with a relative humidity of 50% as well as sufficient ventilation. Low temperatures, air moisture, that is too high or excessive Polish will result in longer drying times!

- **ProStrong / Pro Active+ Finish:** approx. 2 hours

- **ProStrong / Pro Active+ Cleaner:** depends on cleaning, 1-3 hours

- **ProStrong / Pro Active+ Polish:** 30 Minutes

### Safety Instructions

- **ProStrong / Pro Active+ Finish:** S 1/2

- **ProStrong / Pro Active+ Cleaner:** R 36, S 1/2, S 25, S 26, S 46

- **ProStrong / Pro Active+ Polish:** S 1/2

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### Closing Instructions

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The effectiveness of any cleaning/maintenance process must be closely monitored in the early stages and adjustments made to the frequency and type of cleaning to ensure that the floor is being maintained properly.

This data sheet is based on extensive experience and has been published to give best advice. Limiting information and warnings are also included to minimize the risk of errors. Naturally, instruction guidelines do not contain any possible present and future application cases and peculiarities, which is also due to the versatile material of „wood“. Thus, it does not release the expert from making a query when in doubt, from testing in his own authority on location as well as from his critical attention during processing. These guidelines also spare information which is regarded as known by experts. The information given in these guidelines is supplied without liability, therefore no claims of warranty or liability can be deduced from them.

**- All ProStrong and ProActive+ care and cleaning products must be shaken well before use!**

The WEITZER PARKETT team would be glad to give any further information.