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# MAJESTIC WOOD FLOORS

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## *Install, Sanding, & Finishing Hardwoods What to Expect*

Installing new floors or sanding and finishing your existing hardwood floors will add value and beauty to your home, but as with any home improvement you should expect some disruption and inconvenience.

### ***Preparing for our arrival***

- All furniture, appliances, wall hangings, draperies, and countertops must be cleared from work area.
- The temperature and relative humidity should be at normal living conditions. (68-73 degrees and 30-50% relative humidity)
- Make sure all pets are in a secure area or off the premises.
- All accommodations should be made for people and pets who live in the home.
- If you are unable to meet our crew in the morning to let them into your home, please coordinate with our office to provide a key, garage combo, or lock box code so we can get started right away.
- As a general “Rule of thumb”, any items/people that may be affected by airborne dust and/or harmful fumes should be removed from the jobsite. Please tell us if you would like certain cabinets or valuables draped.

### ***Sanding and Finishing Expectations***

- There will be noise, vibrations, light dust, and some vapors during the sanding and refinishing process. (People and items in concern should be removed)
- Even though we have dust containment equipment, there will be a need for light dusting after completion of the job. We also recommend changing the furnace filter after completion of the job.
- When work is completed you may need to do light paint touch up to base and shoe moldings, as well as your walls.
- Sanding and refinishing is not a repair job, it does not fix any existing gaps, floor damages, or any sub-floor problems. Wood filler usage is for smaller gaps, and will not look as good as original wood, so the use of any wood filler is very limited. Wood flooring is a natural product which means it can expand and contract, over time ALL wood filler products will work loose and fall out.
- Removal of all stains by through the sanding process such as animal urine stains and water marks within the boards and around nail holes are often impossible to successfully sand out. Complete removal of such boards is the only way to guarantee stain removal.

## *Sanding & Finishing Flooring Dry Times*

Note that these are estimated dry times only. The weather, conditions and moisture in your home during your project can affect the time it takes the finish on your floors to dry. If you are ever unsure if you can walk on your floors without damaging them, please contact us.

### ***Finish Dry Times – Water Based Finish***

- 3-4 hours: Water Based Finishes – Floors can be walked on with stocking feet only. Floors will no longer be sticky or tacky when they are ready to be walked on.
- 24 hours: Floors are 80% cured. They floors remain susceptible to scuffing or marring until completely cured. Lift and place furniture/appliances back on the floor. **DO NOT DRAG OR ROLL ACROSS FLOORS.** We recommend always using felt pads on all items that come in contact with the floor.
- 72 hours: Floors are 100% cured. Walk off mats and area rugs may be placed on the floors and floors may be cleaned using appropriate floor cleaners. (If unsure check with professional)

### ***Finish Dry Times – Oil Based Finish***

- 6-8 hours: Oil Based Finishes – Floors can be walked on with stocking feet only. Floors will no longer be sticky or tacky when they are ready to be walked on.
- 24 hours: 40% cured
- 72 hours: Floors are 90% cured. They floors remain susceptible to scuffing or marring until completely cured. Lift and place furniture/appliances back on the floor. **DO NOT DRAG OR ROLL ACROSS FLOORS.** We recommend always using felt pads on all items that come in contact with the floor. Do not clean with water or detergent during the curing process. Use only a dry cloth for cleaning during the first two weeks.
- 14 days: Floors are 100% cured. Walk off mats and area rugs may be placed on the floors and floors may be cleaned using appropriate floor cleaners. (If unsure check with professional)

\*\* If you would like more information on any of the products we use, please visit our website at [www.majesticwoodfloors.com](http://www.majesticwoodfloors.com) for links to our specific stain and finishes.

### ***Staining Expectations***

- Wood is a natural product, containing natural variation in color, tone, and grain. We do not warrant against natural variation in color within the floor not variations between samples and the sanded, stained and finished floor. Variation will also develop over time because of varying exposure to sunlight and UV rays.
- Onsite finishing is not a controlled environment, affecting sanding, staining and finishing. Minimal debris in the floor finish is considered acceptable.