



## HARDWOOD FLOOR CARE SHEET

### **DO:**

- Place felt or fabric 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 refrigerator.
- Move any rugs or objects on the floor periodically. The exposed wood floors will oxidize in the sun light.
- Vacuum, sweep or dust mop as needed.
- Wipe up spills as soon as possible.

### **DO NOT USE:**

- Murphy's Oil soap or other similar products.
- Pledge, Endust or other furniture wax products.
- Mop and Glo, Orange Glo, Future, Brite , or other floor shine, renewal, refinisher or polish products, etc. These household products interfere with recoating the floor. They also cause the finish to dull and make your floors harder to clean.

### **CLEANING:**

- Use a damp mop with ¼ cup of vinegar to 3/4 gallon of water. Be careful not to over wet the mop.
- Tough spots can first be wiped with a dish soap solution.

### **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 floor may swell in the summer. This is normal.

### **MAINTENANCE – *Buff & Coat*™ :**

*Buff & Coat*™ removes minor surface scratches and dirt that has penetrated into the surface finish. You should *Buff & Coat*™ your floors every 3-5 years depending on how hard you are on your floors. The entire *Buff & Coat*™ process takes only one day, and we use a dust and odor free technique that is as easy on your lifestyle as it is on your floors. *Buff & Coat*™ costs 1/2 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.