

Milwaukee Hardwood Flooring Company Says Homeowners May Harm Wood Floors Without Knowing It

Even the apparently perfect wood floor maintenance routine may fall victim to these three mistakes.

MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN, UNITED STATES, September 2, 2016 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Royal Wood Floors, a Milwaukee-based hardwood flooring company with an extensive portfolio of successful restoration projects going back almost two decades, does not sugarcoat the truth when it comes to floors. The truth, the company maintains, is that even the most careful homeowners may harm their floors, despite their good intentions and excellent discipline.

"While everybody knows that high heels or pet nails scratch or dent wood boards, or that not removing dirt and grime can cause finish damages, there are other things that may play a part on your hardwood floors," explains Keith Allman, Royal Wood Floors owner. Not many homeowners realize, for instance, that spraying polishing solutions on their furniture without making an effort to avoid the floors may make later buffing projects challenging. Or that safe wood floor cleaners are not that safe when used full force on wood planks."

Royal Wood Floors has long warned homeowners against



waxing their floors. While this beauty treatment makes DIY-ers feel good about contributing to the beauty of their planks, its short-lived results and weak protection are not worth the problems it causes when time comes to hire wood floor buff and coat services. This is because wax is very hard to remove and creates bonding problems when attempting to cover it with polyurethane. Oil soaps and silicone cleaners are other widely used solutions that lead to adhesion issues. Yet, wax and cleaners may create problems even if not directly used on hardwood floors. For instance, if revitalizing furniture with wood polish spray is part of a periodic routine, the polish can easily reach the floor and create buildup. Later on, when attempting a buff and coat project, this film may interfere with the otherwise easy buff-and-coat process and create localized problems.

Another problem with a too enthusiastic maintenance routine is treating the floors as an experimental field for all kinds of new cleaners that promise miracles. Royal Wood Floors refinishers often hear about such cleaning, fixing or beautifying attempts gone wrong. For instance, homeowners may try a polish cleaner to give the floors some luster. If the sealer is worn and dull, the polish doesn't work miracles, but instead creates an invisible film impossible to remove. Disappointed with the results, homeowners follow with harsh disinfectants, various oils and waxes, vinegar and a load of desperation.

All these products pile up, dull the floor and ruin the finish. By the time this confusing experiment is done, the sealer has paid the price, the floor looks ugly, and buffing and coating become a challenge because of all the residue and gunk.

A better idea is to ask the wood floor refinishers for maintenance advice and to always follow the hardwood flooring manufacturers' recommendations. It is important to avoid the all-surface type cleaners and use only recommended hardwood floor solutions that are safe on each specific finish.

Finally, even when using the right cleaning product, the wrong cleaning technique can still harm the floor. For example, applying a puddle of cleaner on the floor so that it is easier to spread is not a good idea. The liquid may seep into the boards and have the same effect as pouring water over the planks. Royal Wood Floors recommends that homeowners become familiar with the appropriate maintenance routine and care of hardwood floors and carefully question and review every cleaning product that they intend to use on their wood boards.

For more information about this experienced and professional hardwood floor restoration company, or to schedule repairs by these wood floor refinishing contractors, or learn about custom wood styles or the company's inlay and medallion installation services, phone Keith Allman at 414-378-2066. Easy estimates and appointments are currently available through the company's website, http://royalwoodfloor.com/. The company provides top craftsmanship and cares for many types of custom and domestic wood. Visit the company's website for examples of previous work.

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