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## Bamboo Flooring Care and Maintenance

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### What to do:

- Vacuum or sweep floor regularly. Remove spills promptly.
- Use area rugs with non-abrasive or felt backing on high traffic areas. Move your area rugs occasionally to maintain a uniform appearance in the floor's finish, which may be affected by abrasion, sunlight or other factors.
- Install "wood guards" on "feet" of furniture.
- When moving heavy furniture or appliances, always pick up the item rather than sliding it across the floor.
- Keep pet's claws trimmed to avoid excess scratches or gouges.
- Use sheer drapes, curtains or blinds to limit direct sunlight on your floor. Sunlight will cause natural bamboo to darken slightly but will cause caramelized bamboo to lighten. Stained colors will also be affected by the sunlight.
- Maintain humidity levels between 40% and 60% year-round.

### What NOT to do:

- Do not let sand, dirt or grit build up. This may cause scratches in the finish.
- Do not damp mop. Water may cause your floor to swell and cup.
- Do not walk on the floor in stiletto-style heels or athletic cleats, etc.
- Do not use wax, oil soap, or other household cleaners. See "Recommended Cleaning Products" below.
- Do not use throw rugs with rubber or vinyl backing without checking to determine if they will affect your floor's finish. Some materials in the backing can react with certain floor finishes, discoloring or causing the finish to become dull.
- Do not let damp rugs sit on the floor. Check frequently for moisture.

### Recommended Cleaning Products:

- WoodWise Floor Cleaner ([www.woodwiseproducts.com](http://www.woodwiseproducts.com))
- Bona Swedish Formula Hardwood Floor Cleaner ([www.bona.com](http://www.bona.com))

### Refinishing/Recoating Instructions for Factory-Finished Flooring:

Proper care and maintenance can extend the life of your floor for many years; however, at some time a recoating may be desirable. To recoat your floor and remain in conformance with the Bamboo Revolution warranty, follow the manufacturer's instructions for either Basic Coatings or BonaPrep™ recoating systems.

- Basic Coatings "TyKote" Sandless Recoating System ([www.basiccoatings.com](http://www.basiccoatings.com)) **OR**
- Bona Prep™ Recoating Adhesion System ([www.bona.com](http://www.bona.com))