



## Care & maintenance

### Wood in general

- Indoor furniture is not to be placed in bright sunlight or against a heat source.
- Never leave indoor furniture outside in humid night air.
- Use underlay for hot items.
- Do not place candles directly on the surface.
- Wipe up spilled liquids immediately.
- Check occasionally that mounting bracket and screws are tightened.
- Provide chair legs with plain knobs
- Polish or detergents shall be applied on polishing cloth, not directly onto the surface.
- Damages such as scratches, impact marks and heat damage requires renovation by specialist.

### Fabric and leather in general

- Do not place your furniture close to a heat source
- Direct sunlight darkens over time light leather, and fades dark leather.
- Impregnating furniture before use makes it easier to remove dirt and stains.
- Remove stains immediately. Do not rub, soak up with a rag.
- Test the stain remover on a less visible area before use.

### Steel in general

Steel and iron is counted as maintenance-free materials.

- Remove stains with detergents that do not contain abrasives.
- Never use steel wool.
- If you must clean or polish with a sponge, then do it in the direction of the steel already is brushed in. Then you can avoid tedious transverse scratches that are visible.

- When cleaning the mirror-like metal surfaces, you should be aware that it easily scratches.

### Wood specifically

How to treat a wooden surface depends on the hardness of the wood and the surface treatment

#### Oil – treated wood

- Maintain the surface a few times a year with oil that dries, for example, furniture oil. Rub the oil in the fibre direction.  
Within 15 minutes you can grind to a fine sandpaper (240 or 320) and then wipe with a dry cloth.
- Stains and rings, is removed with detergent solution (1 teaspoon dishwashing detergent solution without ammonia plus 1 litre lukewarm water), in severe cases, white spirit or abrasive paper. Before you can add a slight pigmentation known as stain or glaze. When the surface is dry, sand with fine sandpaper. Then oil the treated site as above.

#### Clear lacquered wood

Is treated with transparent varnish. All paints contain resins of various kinds

- If the wood has a thin lacquer layer the surface is to be wiped in the direction of the fibres with a dry cloth.
- Avoid water as it can easily be sucked into the wood through cracks and crack.
- Use furniture care resources without silicone, it complicates the possibilities for repainting.
- If the surface has a thicker lacquer layer, wipe the surface with a well wrung cloth and detergent solution. Then rub dry with a cloth.

#### Colour painted wood

Paints with color pigments and paints with a pigment that gives a wide opaque surface. White paints are especially sensitive.

- Wipe the surface with a cloth. Damp wipe with detergent solution. Then rub dry with a cloth.
- Furniture care and detergents with ammonia is not good for painted surfaces, as they may dissolve the paint.

### Suede and leather specifically

- Suede is to be brushed now and then with a coat or rubber brush.
- Stains are removed with a soft brush or a soft colourless eraser. After this dab the stain with a soft absorbent cloth.
- Grease stains are removed with potato flour, sprinkle flour over the stain and leave for one day. Brush off the flour and then wipe with a dry cloth.
- Never use gasoline or other solvents on the suede.
- Do not rub the skin when it is wet.
- Lubricate with leather conditioner and leather cleaning a few times a year.

## Stains on fabric

- Gum – cool the gum, ice cubes in a plastic bag works. Remove the gum when solidified.
- Stearin - Remove mechanically as much as possible. Use i.e. a hairdryer to heat the stain and put an absorbent cloth over the stain, and if possible also under. Use potato flour to absorb.
- Red wine-More difficult stains are removed with methylated spirits or hydrogen peroxide. Some stain removers can also be used.
- Coffee, bath with an ammonia soap solution, soaks in hot water.
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