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### **Ten Oaks Wood Floor Maintenance**

Regular maintenance is necessary to extend the lifetime of your Ten Oaks Hardwood Flooring. Removing items that are potential dangerous to your floor's surface is important in keep a scratch and scuff free floor for many years without the need of refinishing. By following these simple steps, you can help prolonging the life of your floor's surface for many years:

1. Vacuum or sweep your Ten Oaks Hardwood Floor regularly to remove dirt and grit. These particles can be very abrasive and may cause scratches in the surface of your floor.
2. Place walk-off mats outside all exterior doors and consider placing small accent rugs in "splash" and pivot areas such as by the sink, refrigerator and stove. These mats and rugs will help keep dirt and grit from being tracked across your floor, as well as absorb all water that could damage your floor. It is beneficial to shake these mats and rugs free of dust and dirt every few weeks depending on the amount of foot traffic and dirt collection.
3. Place felt floor protectors on all chair and table legs to avoid trapping grit and causing scratches. This will also help protect your floor against scuff marks caused by sliding and moving chairs and other furniture. Replace these felt floor protectors every six months or sooner if they show any sign of holding grit or dirt.
4. Keep high heels in good repair and your pet's nails trimmed to minimize dents and unwanted scratches. Also consider removing heavy boots and avoid wear shoes with cleats on your hardwood floors.
5. In order to keep your floor clean and bright, use a floor cleaner designed for use on hardwood flooring regularly. We recommend Loba Hardwood Floor Cleaner and *not* other harsh household cleaners or "oily" cleaning products for use on your Ten Oaks Hardwood Flooring. For stubborn marks or deep cleaning use a low-foaming basic cleaning concentrate designated for use on hardwood floor, such as Loba Remover.
6. These cleaning tips will help extend the life of your flooring until a reseal is needed. The floor will have worn through down to the bare wood or to the stain color, before this is necessary. Resealing prior to this point can be done without complete resanding and virtually dust free. We recommend the Loba WS 2K Contact Dustless Recoating System for this situation.