

How to... Finish by hand a softwood floor using Woca Softwood Lye and Woca Colour Oil 118 Extra White.

Stage 1, sand wood correctly to 120 grit. Wash the wood with a solution of Wood Cleaner to open the grain. Saturate the floor with a wet application of Softwood Lye. This is followed soon after by a damp clean with Wood Cleaner and a mop to remove residue of the Lye. The wood needs to dry for at least 6 hours, but preferably overnight.

Stage 2, apply oil to the floor and buff-in the bulk of the oil into the surface. You must remove excess oil with cloths so that the surface is damp/dry on completion, not wet with oil.

Stage 3, repeat of the oiling process.

Warning! Oil-saturated cloths can spontaneously combust as the oil cures. Place in water after use. Dispose of them in a sealed metal container filled with water.

nb! an oiled floor is better for two applications. Ensure stage 3 is completed even if the floor is visually satisfactory after stage 2. Allow 24 hours before foot traffic on the floor then 7 days before any damp cleaning.

Ensure the client is correctly equipped with a Breakframe Mop and Woca product from which a solution of Natural Soap, White can be prepared. The white pigments in the soap will further build the whiteness of the floor at the same time as the soap cleans.

Brief the client that should their floor become very soiled in the future then they should consider the instructions for 'Maintaining an Oiled Floor', but otherwise the regular cleaning with soap should be enough to maintain the floor.

Products and Accessories include:

Lye and Oil Applicator Kit

Woca Softwood Lye

Woca Wood Cleaner

Woca Colour Oil Extra White 118

Absorbent cloths

For cleaning the new floor, white version of Woca Natural Soap and a Breakframe Mop

All items and full instructions are available from Dane Care Ltd., 01952 727899 or www.danecareshop.co.uk