

CARING FOR WOOD FURNITURE

Wood furniture takes little maintenance to continue looking like the day you bought it. Try not to place it too closely to a heater vent as the heat could cause the wood to split or warp.

Dust is one of the major causes of decay. Always use a dry cloth. To remove stains use a damp cloth, a wet cloth should be avoided. Humidity is another cause of deterioration in the quality of the finish. Equally harmful is excessive dryness. It is advisable to use humidifier or dehumidifier to regulate condition within the room. For spills of food or drinks, wipe off immediately, with soft dry cloth. If candle wax falls on surface, wait till it cools down and then scrape it gently. Stubborn stains can be removed by rubbing a fine abrasive pad and wiping spots with cooking oil.

The periodicity of protective coating of oil or polish is determined by the quality of wood finish and climatic conditions. Outdoor wooden furniture can be washed with water and mild soap to remove accumulated dust or dirt. During winter and rainy seasons move wooden furniture to a covered area. Never use covers as the moisture will be trapped inside and cause damage to wood.