

**Meyer von Wielligh uses timber that is dried subject to US Standards and the best white glue that is on the market. We can give a 2 year warrantee if the following care and maintenance instructions are strictly followed.**

#### **Limit exposure to direct sunlight**

The sun's UV rays will affect the colour of wood and fabric. Whenever possible, we recommend that your furniture should not be placed in direct sunlight. Also, be sure not to cover the exact same spot on a piece of furniture for a longer period of time, for example with a vase on a wooden table, a pillow on a leather chair, as the effects of light on covered/uncovered areas of the furniture will be different and visible over time.

#### **Keep heat and humidity consistent**

Meyer von Wielligh furniture is in use all around the world in a wide variety of climates. For wooden furniture, it is not so much the degree of heat or humidity that can be damaging. Rather, it is quick changes in the relative levels of heat and humidity that can be tough on furniture. For a solid wooden piece of furniture, the ideal relative level of humidity is between 30-60%.

For example, leaving a table in a cold, humid garage and then bringing it into a warm centrally heated house can cause wood to warp and damage the table. We highly recommend you not to do this!

Similarly, uneven exposure to a source of high heat can be tough on furniture. We therefore recommend you not to place furniture close to a radiator, wood stove or fireplace or in direct sunlight

#### **Oil treated wooden furniture**

Regular maintenance of oil treated wooden furniture is both easy and in the long term very effective. You will achieve the best result by oil-treating the furniture twice a year.

Everyday maintenance can be done by using a soft cloth wrung in clean water. Avoid using any cleaning detergents or any other sort of chemicals on the wood. Also, never use steel wool on the wood. If shoe marks appear or any other surface marks appear it can be sanded with a very fine grit of sanding paper (400 grit) and be re oiled.

#### **Oil treatment**

Clean the wooden surface by using a soft clean cloth wrung in hot clean water.

Use a soft clean cloth or sponge to add the oil to the wood. Never pour the oil directly on to the wood.

Then rub the oil into the wood - always follow the veins of the wood. It is important that you treat the entire surface of the wood.

Let the oil work for about 10 min and then remove any extra oil using a soft clean dry cloth.

Finally, rub the entire surface of the wood with a clean soft cloth to achieve a uniform expression

Be aware that cloths used for oil treatments may self-ignite. Cloths and paper should therefore always be stored in airtight containers or placed in a plastic bag with a bit of water before being disposed of.

In the dry season (winter) we recommend that you treat the edges of tables more often to prevent them from drying out and creating cracks.

#### **Repairing oil treated wood**

Oil treated wood is resistant to most stains. If difficult stains and spills do not disappear by simply oil treating the wood, we recommend using some fine sandpaper on a dry wooden surface. Remember always to sand with the veins of the wood until the

stains have disappeared and fresh wood appears. If in doubt, we highly recommend you to contact your local dealer for more information.

Never sand more than necessary as this may lead to an uneven surface. After having sanded the surface it is important to apply oil again. No matter the size of the stain it is important to oil treat the entire surface to achieve the most uniform expression.

### **Lacquered wooden furniture**

Everyday maintenance of lacquered wooden furniture is quite simple. Dry of the wooden surfaces using a clean soft cloth wrung in luke warm water.

We do not recommend the usage of any cleaning detergent or other chemicals on the wood.

### **Repairing lacquered wood**

Lacquered wood is highly resistant to most stains. However, should damages occur on a lacquered surface (deep scratches, burns etc.) it can be difficult to repair it yourself. We therefore highly recommend you to contact a professional carpenter as the repair and re-lacquering requires specific tools and surroundings.

### **Maintenance of laminate table tops**

Laminate table tops are easy to maintain. It is straight forward and efficient and doesn't require much work.

Daily maintenance is best carried out using a soft cloth wrung in warm water mixed with a universal cleaning detergent. Make sure to dry of the entire table afterwards with a soft clean cloth wrung in clean warm water

Certain chemicals, fruit juices and the like can discolor laminate if left on for too long. With this type of difficult stains, we recommend adding concentrated detergent directly on to the exposed area. Clean the area afterwards using a soft cloth wrung in clean warm water.

If using a more aggressive type of cleaning detergent, we highly recommend you to test the detergent on a less visible spot on the table top, as some detergents may discolor the laminate. If using these types of detergents for cleaning, we highly recommend you to clean the surface several times after wards using a clean soft cloth wrung in warm water.

Marks from magic markers are removed easily using a bit of alcohol and marks from pencils are easy to remove using an eraser.

We discourage all usages of sanding materials on laminate such as steel wool, sandpaper, scouring powder etc.