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THE PROCESS

New Installations. The length of the job varies depending upon the square footage involved and the type of flooring being used. A typical site-finished flooring job will take about five to seven days, including two or three days dedicated to coating the newly installed floor. Prefinished flooring does not require the sanding and finishing, so the process is a couple of days shorter. Old flooring removal will add on time at the beginning of the project and trim replacement will add time to the end of the project. We will be able to give a better estimate of the time involved during the initial consultation in your home.

- The wood flooring needs to acclimate in your home prior to installation. When the wood is delivered to your home, it must be placed near the area it will be installed in. We generally try to have the wood delivered a couple of days prior to beginning the job.
- Please have all items removed from the areas in which we will be working, including furniture, appliances, draperies and pictures. Our insurance coverage does not include damage to these items.
- All of our equipment has dust pickup and/or vacuum attachments and 99 percent of the dust will be contained. In addition, we can hang plastic barriers to isolate the work area. Every attempt will be made to keep the dust to a minimum while we are working in your home, but please be prepared for some mess.
- The areas worked in will have limited accessibility, particularly during the coating phase of the project. It is not necessary to move out of your home during this process, but please be prepared for the disruption in your normal routine, particularly if the work involves your kitchen!
- Light foot traffic is possible about one to two hours after the finish has dried but please wait for 24 hours before resuming normal foot traffic.
- Furniture may be returned the area two to three days after drying, but a full curing of the polyurethane should take place before laying rugs. Oil modified polyurethane will be fully cured in about 30 days, depending upon conditions and waterbase polyurethane in seven to ten days.

Refinishing. As with new installations, the time involved will be dependent upon the square footage of the job. The average refinishing project takes four to five days.

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Recoating. The recoating process will average one day per coat.

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- Recoating involves only a very light sanding of the polyurethane layer, so there is minimal dust involved.
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