

# RAINCOAST ALTERNATIVE ENVIRONMENTAL PRODUCTS LTD

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DIY, Professional & Industrial Coatings

## Application tips for SAICOS Premium Hardwax Oil

### **On Floors:**

Following Can Instructions, prep sand the flooring to 120 grit (dense hardwoods) or 150 grit (fine softwoods).

First coat using Saicos Micro Fiber Oil/wax roller, evenly rolled out. Let dry 6-8 hours

Second coat the same as the first coat (no sanding required), however, a light scuff de-nibbing will flatten out the surface and offer smoother second coat. Let dry 6-8 hours

(2) coats are generally sufficient on most woods, but some softer woods will need a third coat if showing signs of excessive flatness or thirsty looking spots. Therefore, rolling or buffing a third light coat will be necessary.

Drying time between coats is 6-8 hours. Dust free in 3-5 hours.

Cure time is 5 days before washing or placing mats or rugs down.

**Future repairs:** Can be spot repaired or renovated easily by rolling on a new coat after light sanding.

Buffing: It is possible to add a fresh coat as needed by scuffing floor with maroon scotch pad and applying new coat with white scotch pad using a low speed buffer.

**On Woodwork Projects:** Counter Tops, Doors, Cabinetry (requiring good protection)

Following Can Instructions, prep sand the wood to 120 grit (dense hardwoods) or 150 grit (fine softwoods).

First coat using Saicos Micro Fiber Roller (100 mm) or Saicos Brush. Let dry 6-8 hours

Scuff sand lightly with 220 to 320 grit paper.

Second coat the same as the first coat, thin and evenly. Let dry 6-8 hours

If the finish is nice, flat & smooth, then move to final finish "touch coat" (more for feel than protection).

Final finish "Touch Coat" by light scuff sanding again with 220-320 grit paper.

Rub small amount of Hardwax Oil in with soft cloth or White Scotch Pad.

This ultra-thin coat will dry dust free in 3-5 hours.

Cure time is 5 days before washing or placing mats or rugs down.

### **Staining and Tinting:**

Saicos Oil Ground Coat colours are available to be used as a first coat or as a colour tint for the hardwax Oil.

If used full strength, apply thinly to wood and spread with metal blade spatula on smooth surface, then level evenly with white scotch pad by hand or with a low speed buffer. Let dry in 8 hours and then top coat with Saicos Hardwax oil.

**Tinting the Saicos Hardwax Oil is easy** and very effective and will offer approx. 30% colour strength and aid in eliminating the need to stain. Very effective in eliminating the amber effect of the oil by adding white. Simply add 3% to 5% to hardwax Oil by weight or volume. (kitchen scales work best for small batches). Do not exceed 5% in order to keep the pigments from overbuilding, which will require wiping like a stain.

Tinted Coat is best used as first coat only, to keep even and consistent colour. Top coat with Clear Finish.