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## Care of Furniture

Leather has a timeless appeal and is very durable, it will last many years if treated with respect and properly cared for.

Due to the wrapping and packaging to minimise movement during transport, items can look a little distressed / squashed when unwrapped. The shipping time for our products is 4 weeks, the items are usually packed in a container for a period of 4-6 weeks in cold conditions. Once unwrapped and in a warm environment the foam / padding will regain its original shape.

**ALWAYS LIFT FURNITURE** - do not drag, pull or push as resistance from flooring (carpets etc) will cause weakness of legs.

**PLEASE NOTE:** The chair legs are stained in dark or natural wood colours to co-ordinate with your furnishings.

However to prolong the life of the chairs we suggest that a coat of varnish is applied to the legs, especially stools with foot rests. This will protect and make the wood knock resistant.

Most indoor varnishes are available in gloss & satin finishes and provide a tough and durable finish for furniture in areas of high wear. This will also make the wood resistant to heat, liquid and chemicals such as cleaning substances. Many brands have a quick drying (1 hour) range.

A little time spent now will both enhance and extend the life of your new chairs.



## Cleaning Leather Upholstery

- Prolong the life of leather furniture with regular vacuuming, wipe with a damp cloth to prevent a build-up of dust particles.
- Avoid placing leather furniture in front of radiators or in direct sunlight, as any discolouration that occurs will be permanent.
- When removing stains from leather - do not rub. Use a soft damp sponge on surface dirt and blot dry with a clean, dry cloth.
- Never use an abrasive cleaner, oil or varnish on leather furniture as it will strip it of its natural oils.
- Mop up wet spills using a clean dry cloth, and allow to dry. Leather is absorbent so the stain will disappear when dry.
- Avoid using leather cleaner or soap and water on oil based stains, instead simply wipe off as much of the stain as possible and allow to dissipate into the leather.
- For minor spills it is enough to use a cloth dampened sparingly with washing up liquid. For tougher stains you may need to use a dedicated leather cleaner.
- Leather is far easier to clean than most fabrics and with a little care will last for many years.



## Care of Veneer and Laminated Tables

A small amount of effort and maintenance is required.

The main causes of damage to wooden furniture are careless handling and environmental conditions. Extremes in temperature and humidity can cause wood to split and crack, it is a natural product.

- Place your tables away from radiators, heaters etc.
- Position tables away from direct sunlight.
- Clean with a damp cloth and buff with a dry cloth.
- For stubborn marks use a solution of mild detergent.
- Avoid using harmful liquids on or around table.
- Use coasters or mats with non-scratch bases.
- Use protection under sharp or hot items.

If cared for properly your table can provide many years service.

Problems such as watermarks, white marks, heat marks, cigarette burns, wax or gum etc. should be dealt with following professional advice on which remedy is best suited to the problem - always test on a small unseen area to assure the remedy doesn't damage the finish.

