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KITCHENS BATHROOMS FURNITURE & BUILT-INS

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HOW TO CARE FOR YOUR NEW KITCHEN

INTRODUCTION

Ashton Kitchens employs materials requiring minimal care in all components of your new kitchen. They are durable and resistant to most household spills. However, spills should be wiped up promptly to avoid potential problems. With reasonable care and light routine maintenance your kitchen should give you many years of excellent service.

CARE OF WOOD SURFACES

Take special care of wood surfaces for the first few weeks after delivery. The lacquer finish undergoes a hardening process that takes up to 3 weeks to complete. During this period wipe spills immediately and avoid excess water when cleaning wood surfaces.

Fingerprints, cooking fumes, smoking residue and dust can accumulate on any finished surface. None of these contaminants will harm our finish, but they should be periodically removed to restore the finish to its original lustre. Just wipe the surface with a cloth dampened with a mild detergent solution and follow immediately with a dry cloth to prevent smearing. Avoid the use of ammonia based products or silicone oils as they may cause damage if used over a long period of time.

CARE OF MELAMINE SURFACES

The melamine coating used by Ashton Kitchens is extremely durable and the thickness of the coating will ensure a bright clean look for many years. Most stains and other deposits may be cleaned using a cloth dampened with a mild detergent solution. Occasional careful application of abrasive cleaners for stubborn stains will not noticeably affect the finish.

CARE OF LAMINATE COUNTERTOP

Do not cut or chop on the laminate surface; always use a cutting board. Wipe the surface with a cloth dampened with a mild detergent solution and follow up with a dry cloth to remove smears. Bleach such as Clorex® may be used if applied briefly and washed off immediately with clear water. Avoid the use of abrasive cleaners as these will mar the surface. If the top has a wood edge avoid water standing for long periods; wipe spills immediately to prolong the life of the finish. Repairs may be made to the wood edge by sanding with a 220 grit paper and applying a polyurethane varnish such as MINWAX®.

If you need information on a particular problem you are welcome to call us as many of our suppliers can provide us with product- specific answers.
