



Hardwood Top Instructions

Your hardwood top is susceptible to the temperature and humidity of the surrounding environment. We suggest the following to ensure the highest performance of the top:

Initial Installation Tips

Allow the top to reach room temperature prior to installation. It may take forty-eight hours for the top to reach such temperature. Note that wood will continue to expand and contract throughout its existence.

Slots in framework used to secure the top to the frame or base structure must be a minimum of 3/8" larger than the bolt or fastener.

Pre-drill pilot holes for lag screws fasteners to avoid spitting and only tighten the fastener slightly, allowing the top to expand and contract. The wider the top, the greater amount of expansion allowance required. Failure to allow for this expansion/contraction may result in damage to the top and/or supporting structure and will void warranties. It is not recommended to secure wood tops to a solid surface without allowing exposure to the air flow on the unexposed surface.

If final mounting requires cutting the top, then all exposed raw wood surfaces must be resealed. Polyurethane is an excellent sealer for lacquered tops.

Warping

A top that becomes warped due to environmental changes is a temporary condition. This condition can be corrected by un-mounting the top and turning it over or positioning in a manner to allow both faces exposure to the same conditions to allow for equalization. The top can then be reinstalled as originally mounted. Avoid positioning wood tops directly next to or under any direct/forced heat sources or mounting directly to a solid surface.

Surface Maintenance

Lacquered tops should avoid excessive amounts of water, oil, and strong cleaning agents. The top should be immediately wiped clean when the surface has been exposed to such excesses. If the lacquered surface is compromised, it should be resealed immediately to avoid an unbalanced condition.