



Formica® Veneer

Premium Wood Surfacing

U S E A N D C A R E

Formica Veneer wood surfacing is real wood laminated to a phenolic core which provides the practicality of a high pressure laminate with the warmth of natural woodgrains. Formica Veneer combines the beauty of natural wood with exotic designs and more consistent quality and ease of use than other wood veneers, while demonstrating sensitivity to the environment. Formica Veneer is made from real wood veneer. Consequently, light color and pattern variation may occur and does not indicate a product defect. As with natural wood, exposure to direct sunlight can produce color change. Any slight change in color over time does not indicate a product defect.

Formica Veneer is available with two types of surfaces:

The Wax Finish is intended for application to dry interior light duty horizontal or vertical surfaces.

The Gloss Finish surface is intended for application to dry interior light duty horizontal or vertical surfaces where design, appearance, quality, durability, and resistance to stain and heat from ordinary sources are required.

SURFACE PROTECTION

Scratches and Impact

Formica Veneer is not intended for high-wear horizontal applications such as kitchen countertops or transaction areas that are prone to abuse.

The surface of Formica Veneer can be damaged by abuse or carelessness. Do not slice, chop, pound, or hammer on the laminate surface. Heavy impact can cause cracks and gouges in the surface.

Ceramic or other abrasive objects, due to their inherent hardness, can cause scratching and premature wearing of the Formica Veneer surface. Do not slide such objects on the laminate surface. Use place mats, doilies, etc., to protect horizontal surfaces from exposure.

Formica Veneer Polyurethane pre-finished surfaces should be treated in the same manner as fine wood furniture, and may be cleaned with a damp cloth and mild detergent. Do not use paste wax.

Do not use solvent-based cleaning solutions. Use citrus cleaner.

All exposed edges (on either finish) should be finished to prevent moisture absorption.

Abrasives

Do not use abrasive cleaners, powders, scouring pads, steel wool, sandpaper, etc., which can damage the finish and make the surface susceptible to staining.

Stains

Most common staining agents have no effect on the polyurethane surface laminates. Stains from the following materials and liquids, however, are more stubborn or even permanent and will not disappear:

- hair dyes and rinses
- laundry blueing
- pharmaceuticals (tannic acid, mercurochrome, silver nitrate, povidone iodine, dermatological tar compounds)
- wood stains
- marking pens
- newsprint
- indelible inks
- cash register ink
- food pricing label ink

Chemical Damage

Acid or alkaline-based cleaners, compounds, etc., will mar, etch, corrode, and permanently discolor Formica Veneer products. Never use these materials on Formica Veneer, nor allow bottles, rags, etc., contaminated with them to contact the surface. Accidental spills or splatters from these harsh materials should be wiped off immediately, and the area cleaned thoroughly with a damp cloth.

Examples of these materials are:

- drain cleaners
- coffee pot cleaners
- chlorine bleach
- tub & tile cleaners
- ceramic cook-top cleaners
- some countertop cleaners
- toilet bowl cleaners
- rust removers
- metal cleaners
- oven cleaners
- nail polish remover

Residual Adhesive

Avoid contact adhesive contamination of the wood surface. Do not allow solvents to come in contact with the surface of the raw or polyurethane material, as they may damage the surface and/or loosen the veneer.

If you have questions concerning these recommendations, contact your installer, fabricator, or the authorized Formica Corporation distributor for your area.

LIMITED WARRANTY

Formica Corporation expressly warrants that, for a period of (1) one year from the date of first sale, Formica Veneer wood surfacing will be reasonably free of defects in materials and workmanship and that when properly handled and fabricated will conform, within accepted tolerances, to applicable manufacturing specifications. This limited warranty only applies to Formica Veneer wood surfacing which is stored and handled, fabricated and installed in the manner recommended in the Formica Veneer Wood surfacing Fabrication Guide. A copy may be obtained from any authorized distributor of Formica Veneer wood surfacing by calling 1-800-FORMICA. Due to the variety of uses and applications to which Formica Veneer products may be put, FORMICA CORPORATION CAN MAKE NO WARRANTY THAT THIS PRODUCT IS SUITABLE FOR ANY PARTICULAR PURPOSE AND CAN MAKE NO OTHER WARRANTIES, EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED, OTHER THAN THOSE SET FORTH ABOVE.

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