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### **General recommendation on the use of disinfectants on oiled surfaces**

Dear customer,

Due to the Covid 19 pandemic disease caused by the SARS-CoV-2 virus there is increasing interest in disinfectants for all kinds of surfaces, including oiled surfaces. Specially for oiled surfaces not all types of disinfectants are suitable.

Disinfectants based on strong oxidizing materials, such as chlorine based bleach are not recommendable for oiled surfaces because they weaken the properties of the oiled surface to an unacceptable degree.

The better alternatives are disinfectants based on alcohol where the alcoholic component is the active ingredient. Or water based disinfectants, which contain organic active ingredients of various kinds, such as amines or QACs (quarternary ammonium compounds).

In contrast to Osmo Wash and Care, these agents generally do not have any re-greasing properties. It is therefore recommended to pay careful attention to changes of the oiled surface that is regularly cleaned with the disinfectant. These can be, for example, a reduced gloss level or a weakened resistance to cold liquids, such as water or red wine. Therefore, shorter maintenance and renovation intervals with an Osmo maintenance oil should be considered.

Always read and follow the manufacturer's instructions when using a disinfectant.

Yours sincerely,



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