



SCOUT REGALIA

## **CLEANING & MAINTENANCE GUIDE**

### **SR TABLE SET**

Below is our recommended Cleaning and Maintenance Guidelines to ensure a long lasting product.

#### **GENERAL NOTES**

Please note that wood is a natural product and may contain inherent characteristics including but not limited to the following: checking, splitting, natural color variation, mineral staining, wane, tapering, etc. These are natural characteristics and not considered defects. Embracing the characteristics inherent in wood allows tremendous increase in the amount of material a tree can yield, therefore maximizing our forest resources.

Wood products, especially when used outdoors, require periodic maintenance and cleaning. Standing water or snow should be dried off immediately to preserve the wood.

Table Set frames are made of powder coated aluminum so they will not rust. Do not use abrasive products to clean the aluminum. A soft towel will be sufficient to wipe off dirt. You can also use a “car wax” product for extra luster or to buff out minor scrapes and scratches.

All SR Table Sets are custom made to order products and cannot be returned or refunded. Scout Regalia does not offer a warranty for the SR Table Set. If issues arise with your product, please contact [info@scoutregalia.com](mailto:info@scoutregalia.com) for additional information.

#### **UNTREATED WHITE OAK & REDWOOD**

For applications in which you prefer to see the wood age naturally, we recommend untreated redwood & white oak. Untreated wood will natural turn grey over time.

The aging process will greatly vary depending on climate, sun exposure, and other natural factors. Naturally aging wood is a time consuming process, and the wood may appear spotty and uneven before it achieves a natural grey patina.

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When the table set is initially installed outdoors, the natural tannins inside the wood may leach on ground surfaces causing temporary staining after rainfall. This occurrence will stop after a few months of rain and sun exposure. These red/brown stains will go away over time with sun and rain but also can be cleaned up with a multi-surface cleaner such as CLR or pressure washing (please test in an inconspicuous area before proceeding).

Untreated white oak tends to leech more tannins than untreated redwood. Because of the high tannin content, we do not recommend untreated white oak on unsealed concrete, tile, marble, or stain prone surfaces

## **SEALED WHITE OAK & REDWOOD**

As with all sealed wood products, our SR Table Set in sealed white oak or sealed redwood will require periodic maintenance, especially when used outdoors.

Standing water or snow should be dried off immediately to preserve the wood. It is recommended to cover sealed SR Table Sets if standing water or snow cannot be removed in a timely manner. Covers are also recommended when the SR Table Set is not in use during periods of heavy rain or snowfall and when not in use to avoid prolonged sun exposure.

All sealed table set orders will be quoted with covers unless otherwise specified.

Sealed wood products, especially when used outdoors, will require periodic refinishing to maintain the sealed finish. We recommend using General Finishes Exterior 450, Satin. General Finishes recommends re-coating (by brush or sprayer) every 12-24 months, depending on climate and sun exposure. Refinishing may be required sooner in some instances. Please refer to manufacturer recommendations for surface preparation and reapplication.

Even with sealed wood products, the natural tannins inside the wood may leach on ground surfaces causing temporary staining after rainfall. This occurrence will stop after a few months of rain and sun exposure. These red/brown stains will go away over time with sun and rain but also can be cleaned up with a multi-surface cleaner such as CLR or pressure washing (please test in an inconspicuous area before proceeding).

## **REDWOOD VS. WHITE OAK: WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE?**

Redwood is lighter and softer, so it can ding and scratch easier. Redwood also has hues of orange and red, and is more of a “warm” toned wood. Untreated redwood ages very well and will acquire a light grey patina over time.

White oak is heavier and more robust. White oak is also more consistent in color and grain, and has a blonde hue. Untreated white oak ages slower and will acquire a dark grey patina over time. Because of its hardness, we recommend white oak for heavier duty applications. White oak is approximately 2-3 times as heavy as redwood. White oak also tends to have more tannins than redwood, which can leach on ground surfaces. Because of the high tannin content, we do not recommend untreated white oak on unsealed concrete, tile, marble, or stain prone surfaces.

## **UNTREATED VS. SEALED: WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE?**

Untreated redwood and white oak will age/grey over time when left to the elements. Untreated redwood and white oak will not age as quickly when indoors. If you want your table set to acquire a natural grey patina over time, we recommend untreated redwood or white oak for outdoor use. When applicable, untreated wood is a lower maintenance option. Additionally, dings and scratches can easily be sanded out if needed.

Sealed white oak and redwood provides a sealed finish that protects the wood from the elements, in addition to general wear and tear from use. We recommend sealed redwood or white oak for heavy duty interior applications. Sealed wood for indoor applications will require less maintenance than outdoor applications. Sealed wood for outdoor applications will require periodic maintenance (see “Sealed White Oak and Redwood”)