

LKG Cleaning & Care Guide



Indoor Wood Furniture

Recommended cleaning method for solid hardwood (Community Playthings), finished Baltic Birch and our laminated materials:

1. Clean with soap and water using a cloth
2. Wipe with a clean wet cloth to rinse
3. Disinfect with *approved disinfectant and have it remain wet on the surface for the appropriate contact time
4. A final rinse is required using a single-use wet paper towel

Tips

- Do not soak in water.
- If applicable (eg. storage cabinet or chest) let inside areas completely dry before closing.
- Avoid leaving pooled water or cleaning agent on the surface.
- You can use hydrogen peroxide disinfectant sprays or wipes (example Oxivir®, Envirox 118); a 10% bleach solution; a vinegar solution or Benefect cleaners too (*check manufacturer's instructions*).
- Do not use abrasive cleaners, alcohol, aromatic spirits, pine oil, or iodine-based products. These may stain the wood finish.



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Outdoor Wood Furniture

Public health as well as our manufacturers' guidance generally suggests it is not recommended to sanitize and disinfect outdoor wood surfaces.

Continuous exposure to sunlight and the availability of fresh air circulation makes outdoor wooden furniture safe for regular use and minimizes the need for disinfection.



Finished Wood Toys



Recommended cleaning method:

1. Clean with soap and water using a cloth
2. Wipe with a clean wet cloth to rinse
3. Disinfect with *approved disinfectant and have it remain wet on the surface for the appropriate contact time
4. A final rinse is required using a single-use wet paper towel
5. Allow toys to air dry



Tips

- Do not soak in water.
- Avoid leaving pooled water or cleaning agent on the surface.
- Do not use abrasive cleaners, alcohol, aromatic spirits, pine oil, or iodine-based products. These may stain the wood finish.



Unfinished Wood Toys



Recommended cleaning method:

1. Scrub with a stiff brush and mild detergent and water.
2. Work quickly to avoid soaking the wood.
3. Wipe off excess water and allow to dry thoroughly before next playtime.

Tips

- Don't immerse in water.
- Ensure items are completely dry before stacking away.
- You can use hydrogen peroxide disinfectant sprays or wipes (example Oxivir®, Envirox 118); a 10% bleach solution; a vinegar solution or Benefect cleaners too (*check manufacturer's instructions*).
- Do not use disinfectants, abrasive cleaners, alcohol, aromatic spirits, pine oil, or iodine-based products.



Note

The porous quality of unfinished wood makes it harder for bacteria and viruses to transmit to others in a form that is dangerous. If local public health guidelines allow it, consider a rotational strategy for these materials for extra protection.



Hard Surface Toys



Recommended cleaning method:

1. Clean with soap and water by hand or in dishwasher (*see note*).
2. Disinfect with *approved disinfectant and have it remain wet on the surface for the appropriate contact time.
3. Rinse with water.
4. Allow toys to air dry.



Tips

- Do not use abrasive cleaners, alcohol, aromatic spirits, pine oil, or iodine-based products
- Consider a Rotation and Individualization Strategies to minimize the necessity for continuous disinfection while ensuring health and safety. See our blog post SWIR: Strategies for Keeping Instructional Tools and Toys Safe.

Search LKG website:
SWIR



Note

LKG sources hard surface toys designed for institutional wear and tear of schools and care environments and can be immersed and even safe for dishwashers. But if you are not certain check manufacturer information or contact LKG.



Sustainable Plastic Alternatives



These sustainable alternatives can be washed in soap and water and most are dishwasher safe too! (check individual manufacturer specifications).



Green Toys



Bioplastic



Eco Polydron



PlanWood and other Wood Composites



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