

# **Bullseye Custom Cabinetry, Inc - Care & Maintenance Guidelines**

Proper maintenance is crucial to ensure the long life of your cabinetry. Don't worry though, it's easy! See our simple maintenance recommendations and tips below.

## **Best Practices**

- When it comes to wood cabinetry, whether it is painted or stained, the best cleaner is warm water with a mild detergent. A standard dish soap that is able to remove grease is ideal.
- Utilize a soft, lint-free cloth dampened with the warm water and mild detergent mix for wiping your cabinets down. Some fabrics can leave residues or chemicals from previous cleaners. Because of this, we do not recommend using dishcloths or sponges. Old t-shirts are a great economical and safe option for cleaning your cabinets.
- After wiping down your cabinets, dry them with a cloth of the same material to clean up any residue or water left behind during the previous step.
- Wipe your cabinets down 3-4 times a year with lemon oil to maintain the finish and keep them looking as good as the day they were installed.

## **Avoid Harsh Chemicals**

Avoid any of the following products/ingredients. These items can damage, scratch, or dull the finish of your cabinets.

- Petroleum-based products
- Solvents
- Bleach
- Strong detergents and soaps
- Nail polish remover
- Painter thinners
- Plastic brushed
- Steel wool
- Scoring Pads
- Ammonia
- Powdered cleaners
- Wax
- Furnisher Polish like Pledge

## **Clean Up Any Spills Immediately**

Moisture can cause warping and damage to wood cabinetry. Because of this, we highly recommend cleaning any spilled liquids, splatters, or water spots as soon as possible. Immediate clean up will also help prevent any dried-on messes that may require harsh scrubbing that could potentially scratch your cabinets.

## **Additional Notes**

Seasonal changes in temperature and humidity can cause drying and cracking of cabinets. Keeping your house at consistent temperature and humidity during the changes of the seasons can help alleviate any expansion or shrinking of your cabinets, millwork, and interior doors. Treating the cabinets with lemon oil 3-4 times a year can also help with drying or cracking.

Placing any small appliances that produce heat or steam in close proximity to or underneath your cabinets during operation can cause discoloration or fading of the finish on your cabinets.