



# **BARLINEK FLOORBOARD REPAIR INSTRUCTIONS**

**TOP LAYER DEFECTS FILLING**

## CAUSE

When using the floor, various situations, often unforeseen, occur — e.g. a hammer falls out of the hand when trying to hang a picture, creating a dimple. Moreover, setting the underfloor heating temperature above the recommended one will cause the filling of the already filled knot to loosen.

## IDENTIFICATION

If the cavity is at least 1-mm-deep or more, you can decide to fill it using hard waxes, melted in high temperatures. However, if it is shallower, it should be deepened. Remember, the deeper the cavity, the better the new filling will hold.

## DECISION

If your floor has black fillings, you only need a bar of black wax. The filling will not be noticeable in comparison to others. However, if you have the floor with virtually no black fillings, you have two choices.

The first one is to replace the floorboard from the middle of the floor (see the Barlinek Floorboard replacement instructions). The second is filling, for which you will need a wide range of wax colours. In this particular case, you need to have good colour combination skills to reproduce the wood grains.



## PREPARATION OF THE FLOORBOARD AND TOOLS



If possible, always test your skills on a spare floorboard or piece of wood.

## PREPARE THE FOLLOWING TOOLS AND MATERIALS:

- electric or gas heater;
- hard waxes;
- an abrasive pad;
- a polishing and matting mat,
- a spatula;
- a chisel, scraper or an electric reamer;
- a sprayable correction lacquer or Wax Care Plus in case of the oiled floor;
- a vacuum cleaner.

## STEP 1.

### PREPARATION OF DAMAGED AREA / CAVITY



Using a chisel or scrapers, thoroughly clean the damaged area of the joint compound residues or loose wood fibres.

If the factory filling has only partially chipped and the remaining part is not loose, there is no need to remove it entirely. If the filling is loose, remove it completely. A person performing the repair should assess which solution will be more effective.

Use a vacuum cleaner to clean the cavity from joint compound residues and chips.

## STEP 2.

### DEFECT REPAIR



Choose a wax colour to match the floor shade.

**Remember that it is possible to mix several colours to achieve the shade closest to the factory filling colour.**

Apply liquid wax, melted with the heater, to the cleaned cavity. The amount of wax must allow to form overfilling after the application is completed.



Once the wax has dried, remove its excess with a flat spatula or jack plane.



If there is still a dimple, repeat the procedure.



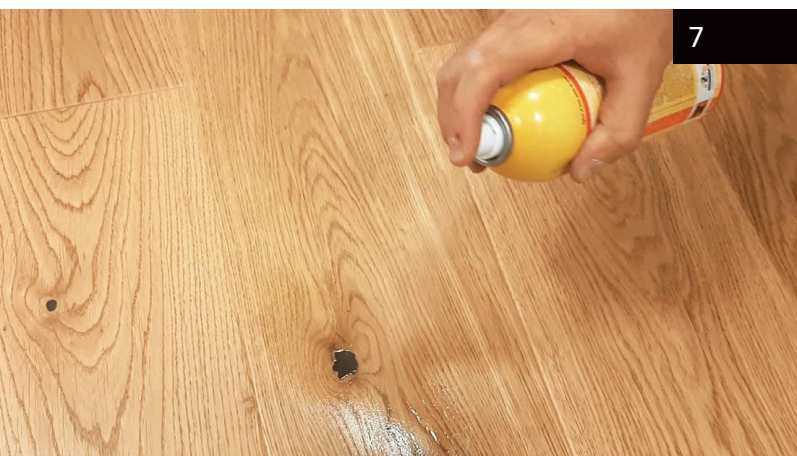
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To remove any residual wax, carefully wipe the filling surface with an abrasive pad.



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If the filling requires matting or polishing, use a double-sided matting and polishing mat to visually match it to the other fillings or the floor surface.



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In the case of lacquered floor, the surface must be protected with a sprayable or marker correction lacquer with the appropriate gloss.

In case of a floor oiled with natural oil, Wax Care Plus is sufficient.

Usually 15 minutes after the repair, the floor can be fully used.

- Please pay attention to the drying time of the correction lacquer specified by the manufacturer.
- The drying time of the repaired area of the oiled floor is about 15 minutes in case of using Wax Care Plus.



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