

You deserve the ultimate protection for your wood floors.

Why Waterbased Finish?

Durable protection: Safeguard your wood flooring investment with long-lasting durability.

Choices: Different products for ambered or clear appearance. Multiple sheens for a variety of gloss levels.

Green: Low VOC finish means less harmful fumes.

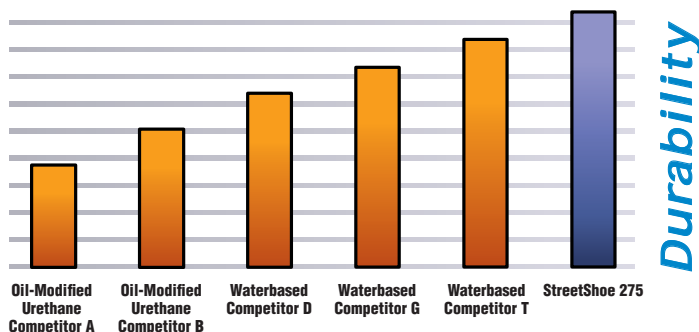
Fast Dry Times: Get back on your floor in no time.

Low Odor



StreetShoe[®] 275 is the leader in wood floor finish durability.

Wear Resistance



Finishes were tested in accordance with ASTM Designation: D 4060-01

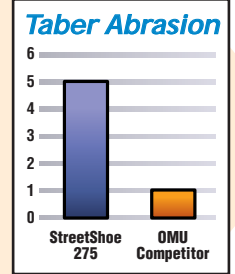
6 Advantages to Basic® Coatings Waterbased Finish

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More Durable

Basic Coatings products were tested with a Taber Abrasion machine. This test determines a coatings' resistance to abrasion. Resistance to abrasion is defined as the ability of a coating to withstand mechanical action such as scuffing or erosion.

- StreetShoe® 275 Taber Abrasion readings were 5 times more resistant than the average competitive Oil Modified Urethane (OMU).

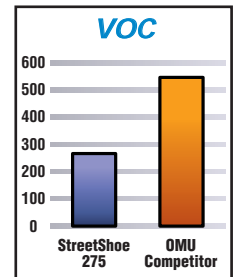


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Less VOC

VOC (Volatile Organic Compounds) are emitted as gases from certain solids or liquids. These gases can have adverse health effects. They also combine with other elements in the presence of sunlight to form smog, a major air pollutant. Thus the government has begun restricting the amount of VOC's that can be included in certain products.

- Waterbased coatings typically have **half as much VOC content** as the traditional Oil Modified Urethane (OMU).
- Basic Coatings waterbased finishes produce **less odor** than fragrant OMU's.
- **Green:** Several of Basic® Coatings waterbased finishes meet the strictest of government regulations and LEED requirements.



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Faster Dry Times

Multiple coats of waterbased finish can be applied in one day. The coating job will take less time and the floor can be back in use faster.

DRY TIMES	
Waterbased	OMU
2-3 hours	6-24 hours

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Faster Cure Times

StreetShoe® and StreetShoe® 275 are the fastest curing finishes on the market. Both are 90% cured in 24 hours. This means less downtime and you can be back on the floor faster. It also means that the VOC is removed from the floor faster.

FULL CURE TIME	
Waterbased	OMU
7 days	30 days

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Less Yellowing

- Waterbased finishes will retain a clear non-yellowing appearance. OMU finishes may turn to an unsightly yellow appearance over time.
- If you don't want a clear look but still would like to use a waterbased coating, a stain can be used to change the appearance. Also, Emulsion from Basic Coatings has more color than typical waterbased urethanes.

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Non-Flammable

- OMU's contain petroleum distillates, which are combustible or flammable. Waterbased finishes are **not combustible nor flammable**.
- The vapors of OMU's are also combustible or flammable. Pilot lights and other sources of spark must be turned off during the application of OMU finishes.
- Mineral spirits or solvents are needed to clean applicators or accidental spills when using OMU's. Rags and other materials that have residue from OMU's on them must be stored in safety containers to prevent spontaneous combustion.

