Wood finishing process

At OFS we believe that the employees are a company’s biggest asset and the way they experience their office space is through the furniture. When you invest in furniture, you are investing in your employees. A well designed space means that workspace supports the design intent, reflect your firm’s culture and ultimately delivers the desired experience. We understand and appreciate the magnitude of this decision. With OFS, you are working with a family owned company who values long term relationships over short term financial results. Along with a deep commitment to staying customer focused, you also have the backing and resources of the largest family owned wood casegoods company in the office furniture industry. OFS has been a leader in crafting superior wood furniture for over 80 years. Products that we proudly offer have stood up to heavy use for decades. We have several references that can speak first hand to our capability to outperform the industry in beauty and durability. There are several aspects to the process and formulation of OFS’s patented Euroluxe finish that gives our clients lasting satisfaction. The uniquely formulated urethane top coat that we call Euroluxe delivers a smooth, silky, warm touch, a true wood feel, while also providing the surface with a durable, chemical resistant and temperature resistant finish. Specifically, the Euroluxe finish will guard against water stains from spills or glass ring, heat marks from hot pizza boxes, scratches from shuffling files even a nail polish remover spill. Additionally, the Euroluxe finish offers the beauty and clarity in the wood finish that is unmatched in the industry.

Top coat sheen level options

Uniquely, OFS has the capability to offer you 4 standard sheen level choices. Depending on the look you want to achieve and the veneer substrate and finish color, we can provide you with the option to select a super matte 2% sheen finish, a Satin 25% sheen finish, a standard 40% sheen or a traditional high gloss 85% sheen. We have the most flexibility by offering all of our standard veneer stain finishes in both the 25% sheen and the 40% sheen finish. If you are interested in moving to the lowest or highest sheen levels, we can provide you with the specific finish options that are available.
Below the top coat

- Working our way below the top coat finish, OFS still uses the old world model of building to the top coat’s beauty by applying multiple layers of non-grain raising stain to ensure that the color is long lasting and durable. We spray and hand rub 5 coats of stain to bring out the full depth and beauty of the flat cut or quarter cut veneers. Also in the process we hand apply a specially formulated grain filler to bring out a smooth wood surface.

- Below the stain, we start with the highest grade of architectural veneers which we source as log flitches. It is our painstaking attention to detail that brings us to sourcing this raw veneer, allowing control of the entire veneer lay-up process. Owning this process is also how we are able to flitch match the entire private office suite, meaning the casegoods within every office suite are derived from the same tree, keeping color and grain pattern consistent.

- Even before the veneer is sourced, OFS stands alone in our industry in that we manage and source veneers from our own forests. As one of the largest private land owners in southern Indiana, OFS grows and harvests hardwoods for the manufacture of furniture.

- Our top coat is repairable in the event that damage occurs.

- We offer a 12-year warranty which is 20% longer than most of our competitors and a lifetime warranty of drawer glides, suspensions and locks.

Sustainability

Our sustainable story is rich and robust. At OFS, people make up the common ground upon which we have built nearly a century of success, and they will continue to be the foundation for our sustainable growth. To understand our full Sustainability story, please view our Sustainability report here. In specific to our Environmental Initiatives, we work with the following third party organizations: Greenguard, level, ecoScorecard, SCS, FSC, and SmartWay. This level of control goes to the very end of the chain with our furniture shipping on our company owned vehicles. This is a very important and final piece in the chain of craftsmanship.

Performance

The performance of a storage cabinet over time is directly tied to its square form. A box that has not been treated with the ultimate level of care through the delivery process can lose its perfect square form, affecting the longevity of the drawer tracks and putting uneven strain on the joints of the box.

When working with a natural material, a specialized focus, tribal knowledge and commitment to detail carries equal weight to the investment in world class machinery and wood technology. The beauty of our product is not just skin deep, we believe in sustainable production, craftsmanship and quality in the process, and durable solutions that our clients can enjoy for 30 years and beyond.

As a 4th generation family owned company, we say that wood furniture is in our DNA, and with every box that we deliver we like to think of it as a reflection of our values and a piece of OFS history.

Thank you again for this opportunity and the request to detail our wood process; a very important and critical aspect for longevity and durability.