

MAINTAINING YOUR SAUNA AFTER INSTALLATION

Interior

It is recommended to vacuum or sweep out the inside of your sauna frequently to remove dirt and other debris.

Under normal conditions, a slight wash of the floor and benches with warm soapy water several times a year will maintain its cleanliness. You can use a sheet of fine grit sandpaper or a low pressure wash to remove more stubborn stains or for a deeper cleaning of the interior of your sauna.

Never use ammonia or harsh cleaners as they can turn the wood gray.

Exterior

Depending on the humidity and weather conditions in your area, the cedar will either shrink or expand based on the amount of moisture absorption. The desired effect is to have the cedar expand into the bands therefore making the sauna staves much tighter.

Over time the lumber will weather naturally as a result of sun and rain, it will change into a weathered grey colour. This natural weathering will not harm the wood or impair the sauna's performance.

If you wish to retain the natural color of your Dundalk Leisurecraft Sauna, there are many cedar stains on the market and almost as many opinions as to which is best.

We encourage you to rely on your own research and referrals.

Recommended Stains Include:

Behr Premium Semi-Transparent Waterproofing Stain & Sealer

Sikkens Proluxe Cetol SRD Translucent Stain

<https://www.realcedar.com/outdoor/finishing-choices/>

Note: never treat the interior of the Sauna, and never apply paint or varnish to the exterior.



Water Seepage

Some minor water seeping into the sauna is expected and normal for an outdoor sauna.

If your sauna is properly installed, you should not have water dripping in but you should expect some water seepage, especially on the top and sides of the sauna.

This is due to the porous characteristics of the wood and to the ball-and-socket profile design of the staves. Water Seepage will not harm the sauna. The moisture will evaporate once you turn on the heater and the sauna heats up.

If the water marks are bothersome, they can be easily removed with a light sanding (80 or 100 grit)



HOW TO TAKE A SAUNA

1. Pre-heat your sauna to the desired temperature (usually between 80-100°C)
2. While it's warming up, take a nice hot shower.
3. Enter the pre-heated sauna, relax and allow your body to perspire in the soft dry heat. Do not throw water on the rocks during the first part of the session.
4. Cool off with a cold shower or a quick swim in a lake or pool.
5. Re-enter the sauna and sprinkle water on the rocks. This will increase humidity to assist in perspiration. Half a cup every 5 minutes should be enough. Too much water will just cool off the rocks and you'll get less steam.
6. After a 20-30 minute sauna, cool off in the shower or lake or pool.
7. Repeat this sauna/cold shower process as often as desired.
8. After each use, leave the door fully open for a few hours if possible so the wood can dry out.

**These are guidelines only. Enjoy your sauna in whichever way you desire.
Children must be supervised by an adult.**

WARRANTY

LeisureCraft warrants our saunas against defects in materials and workmanship under normal/residential use for a period of five (5) years, as applicable, from the date of receipt of the product by the original end-user consumer. This warranty does not apply to normal wear and tear and/or natural weather conditions. This warranty does not cover regular required maintenance of the sauna, (eg. Tightening bands on the barrels, cleaning or staining the sauna) refer to your sauna assembly manual for maintenance guidelines. This warranty does not cover misuse or negligence and the manufacturer and associated retailers are not liable for any injury or damage caused by the product. This warranty is a parts only warranty and any service or labor costs would not be considered as part of the 5 year warranty.

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