



## RULON INTERNATIONAL

### **CARE AND MAINTENANCE OF RULON WOOD PRODUCTS**

Wood Wall and ceiling panels, as manufactured by the Rulon Company, should be maintained per the following guidelines:

1. Panels are finished with a commercial finish which is durable and resistant to moisture. Allowing moisture to accumulate on, or stay in contact with, any wood surface, regardless of how well finished, will cause damage. Prevent direct contact with moisture and wipe dry immediately should any occur.
2. With the exception of true oil-rubbed surfaces, modern finishes do not need to be polished, oiled, or waxed. In fact, applying some polishing oils, cleaning waxes, or products containing silicone may impede the effectiveness of touch-up or refinishing procedures in the future.
3. No abrasives or chemical or ammonia cleaners should be used to clean fine woodwork surfaces.
4. Routine cleaning is best accomplished with a soft, lint-free cloth lightly dampened with water or an inert household dust attractant. Allowing airborne dust, which is somewhat abrasive to build up will tend to dull a finish over time.
5. Remove oil or grease deposits with a mild flax soap, following the directions for dilution on the container.
6. Avoid excessive or repetitive impact, however lightly applied. The cellular structure of the wood will compact under pressure. Many modern finishes are flexible and will show evidence of impact and pressure applied to them.
7. Avoid localized high heat, such as a hot pan or plate, or a hot light source, close to or in contact with the finished surface. Exposure to direct sunlight will alter the appearance of fine woodwork over time.
8. Maintain the relative humidity around the woodwork in accordance with the guidelines published by the Architectural Woodwork Institute, every hour of every day, to minimize wood movement.
9. Do not apply masking tape or other adhesive products to the face of finished woodwork. Adhesive products may damage custom finishes.