Brass Components
Maintenance






Storage and Pre-Installation

Brass Components like our Bistro Shelving and Pot Rail should be kept in a temperate space free of extreme heat, cold, moisture, dust and debris. Never store brass components near a direct hear source, open window ventilation openings or any other source that may impact the area. It is best to leave any brass component within its original packaging up until the time of assembly/installation. Do not store components underneath heavy objects.*

Handling and Treating

All brass components should only be physically held with the use of cotton gloves to prevent scratches and fingerprints. Likewise, all unlacquered brass products should be finished prior to installation to avoid discoloration from touch and oxidation. Lacquered brass products will not discolor over time but should still be handled with care to avoid any damage to the lacquer finish. Always polish brass components with a new cotton cloth prior to any finishing.*

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If maintaining lacquered brass (more common), proper cleaning and is essential. Use a damp, cotton cloth (from room temperature water) to wipe the component. Clean in long streaks whilst the cloth is wrapped around the component. You can then wipe the component with a dry, cotton cloth. DO NOT use any chemical cleaners, including – but not limited to – brass-specific polishes (such as Brasso), soap, rust removers, furniture polishes, etc. Use of these products can diminish and even remove the lacquer finish, thus exposing the brass to oxidation. NEVER use any paper towels or synthetic cloths on brass components – this can scratch the surface of the brass/finish.*

If maintaining unlacquered brass (less common), regular cleaning and conditioning is required to avoid any unwanted discoloration. If left untreated, unlacquered brass (due to its raw nature) will oxidize, which will form a "patina" film to form, giving the brass a greenish look. If this isn't desired and a lacquered finish is not applied, regular wiping with a cotton cloth and a cleaner are ideal. The cleaner can be a mild brass cleaning chemical, simple soaps or small amounts of household agents (such as vinegar and water) can be used in careful amounts. Always dry polish the brass once the cleaning is done.*

**Once Bistro Shelving, Pot Rail or any other Brass Components have been stored, sealed, assembled, installed, Brown Wood, Inc. no longer assumes warranty over the product – meaning any discoloration, oxidation, scratches, installation failure, etc. are not covered by our warranty terms. Always assure condition of components as soon as they are delivered.*

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