

Wood Countertop Waiver

The following are some of the issues and concerns to consider when requesting a wood top. This list is not all encompassing.

1. *Splitting and Cracking* - Because wood is an organic material, it can split, swell, warp, crack, mar, blotch, burn, and discolor. Cracks may appear at joints where wood has been glued.
2. *Moisture* - Wood and water don't mix. Most wood countertops will be exposed to moisture, heat and steam from food/water or other liquids. Wood movement and discoloration can result from water or any other fluid. If water sits on the countertop for an extended period of time or seeps into seams and pores, it will potentially cause joints to separate and finish to fail.
3. *Sinks* - If a sink is installed in the top, the wood could split, warp or even blacken, and cause the finish and then the joints to fail.
4. *Stains* - If any stains occur, they may be deep in the wood and permanent.
5. *Hardness* - Wood is softer than tile, stone and metal and it can be more easily damaged. Using a separate cutting board can help save the countertop surfaces from damage.
6. *Finish* - Wood may swell and cause finish to crack. The finish can be compromised by friction from scrubbing pads, sliding objects, cleaning products, heat, chemicals and other conditions beyond our control.
7. *Reparability* - Dents, marks and discoloration may not be repairable.
8. *Sanitization* - Wood Countertops have a porous surface where germs may hide and multiply.
9. *Refinishing* - With time, a wood countertop can begin to show some wear and tear. The finish may need to be reapplied, or the entire surface sanded and refinished.
10. *Refusal to Refinish* - At our discretion, we may refuse to strip or refinish the wood top, because of the difficulty of chemical stripping, the potential of a chemical reaction with the new finish or for any other reason.
11. *Cost* - If we choose to repair the damage, it will be chargeable by the hour and may cost more than the original top.
12. *Warranty* - Use for countertops with sinks or work surfaces is strongly discouraged and DMC does not warranty any wood tops we manufacture.

I have read the above explanation and find it acceptable. I agree not to hold Davis Mill and Cabinet, LLC or the Designer/Dealer responsible for any claims or problems resulting from these issues, should they arise.

Customer's Signature

Designer/Dealer's Signature

Customer's Name (please print)

Designer/Dealer's Name (please print)

Date

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