



Workbench Care & Storage Instructions

Ramia workbenches are made of high-quality beechwood, guaranteeing maximum durability and a long service life. Like all solid wood products, they must not be left in areas of high humidity or damp, as this will cause natural movement.

Timber constantly absorbs moisture from the surrounding air and releases it again, causing it to swell or shrink as humidity changes. In dry conditions it shrinks, and small gaps can open between boards; the surface may also distort slightly. In humid conditions the boards can swell and press tightly together, which may cause the surface to warp.

To avoid timber movement, your workbench should ideally be kept where the relative humidity is between 40% and 55% all year round; 60% is the maximum recommended level. Relative humidity can be measured with a hygrometer. If it is below 40%, moisture should be added to the room. If it is above 55%, the room should be dehumidified. If the timber distorts or warps, it should return to its original flatness once stored in the correct conditions and given time to acclimatise.

If you bought a workbench without surface treatment (Finish It Yourself and Advanced benches), it is recommended to apply an oil or varnish within one month of assembly. All wooden parts, including the underside and dog holes, should be treated.

Oil or varnish helps prevent absorption of surrounding moisture. Suitable oils include linseed oil, Danish/finishing oil and tung oil. The surface treatment should be reapplied to all workbenches each year.

If your workbench is not assembled immediately upon delivery, it must be stored on a flat, dry surface. The bench should always be protected from exposure to moisture, direct sunlight, frost or high temperatures.

Screws and bolts should be checked and tightened regularly, as natural wood movement can loosen them over time.

With the right care and conditions, your Ramia workbench will provide many years of reliable service.