

List of Questions for Flooring Sales

- 1) **Do you kiln dry your lumber?**
(If not, the wood will have to be dry piled in the room it's going to be installed in to 1 1/2 to 2 weeks before you can even begin installing it.)

If the answer to the previous question is yes, then...

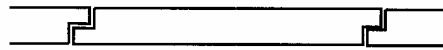
- 2) **Do you kiln dry before or after planing the boards?**
(Boards tend to warp, twist, crack and shrink when they are kiln dried. If they kiln dry before planing like we do they will be able to straighten and cut out the bad parts of the boards. If they kiln dry after planing, then they have to leave these bad parts in and you receive inferior quality lumber.)
- 3) **Do you store your flooring in a moisture controlled environment while your waiting to deliver it?**
(If the answer is no, then the boards will pickup a lot of moisture before you receive them. It will be as if they were never dried at all.)
- 4) **Are your flooring boards ship lapped, butt joined or tongue and grooved?**
(Many suppliers, especially those who offer installations, will not tell you that they only make ship lap or butt joined unless you ask. This is because they know that these are inferior to tongue and groove. A ship lapped or butt joined board could pop out of the floor or cup at the edges. A tongue and grooved board can not because it is interlocked with the boards beside it, so the whole floor is like one unit.)

- 5) **Do you cut out large knot holes?**
(We get some knot holes here that are as big as the palm of your hand. If they are not cutting out these holes, then they are charging you for them. Ask for a size standard. We offer holes no larger than the size of a \$2 coin.)

- 6) **Do you cut out the large cracks?**
(If the cracks are large enough to see through, then you will see the plywood sub floor under your expensive antique lumber flooring. In addition, these boards are structurally weak and could break or lift out of the floor.)

- 7) **If there are so many hairline cracks in the boards that they could crack easily, do you discard that board?**
(Antique lumber does have hairline cracks, but you should not have to worry about your flooring falling apart. We discard any board or piece of board that are so flimsy that a person could break them without much difficulty.)

Ship lap looks like this:
(end view)



Tongue and groove looks like this:
(end view)



Butt joints looks like this:
(end view)



- 8) **Do you cut out all rot spots on all sides of the board?**
(If not, your expensive antique floors will be expensive antique rot.)
- 9) **Would you be willing to exchange your boards if any of the above conditions are not met? Would you be willing to agree to this in writing?**
(If not, they have no intention of supplying you with quality lumber.)

Remember all antique lumber suppliers are getting their supplies from the same sources whether it's from barns or other century buildings, they have to cut corners in quality and the time spent on your investment in order to offer a discounted price.

If something sounds too good to be true ... it probably is.

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Many people today are interested in antiques, whether it be artifacts, furniture, collectibles, or historic buildings and homes. Collecting antique wood and lumber is our specialty at West Lincoln Barnboards and Beams Ltd. Like other antiques, instead of just getting older, our wood becomes more valuable with the passing of time as the richness of the patina continues to develop.

In order to share our reclaim treasures with you, we offer you the following:

- 1) *Antique wide plank flooring: Pine, Hemlock, Heart Pine, Ash, Elm, Maple, Beech, Oak and Chestnut.*
- 2) *Original reclaimed antique boards, weathered barnboards, planks and hand-hewed beams.*
- 3) *We re-saw antique beams into flooring or whatever other antique lumber materials our customers may require.*
- 4) *We supply antique lumber materials for flooring, wall covering, wainscoting, restoration of old buildings, and loft living. As well, we match new additions to existing old buildings, rustic interiors, antique reproductions such as cupboards, harvest tables, etc. using Pine, Hemlock and hardwoods.*
- 5) *Supply of antique beams for log homes.*

Flooring boards, either soft or hardwood, can be planed and tongue and grooved as requested or sold rough.

Prices vary and so does availability. Find enclosed a price list for your consideration. If you require additional information please do not hesitate to write, phone or fax us. You are welcome to view our supply of stock and visit our showroom. We are open **Monday to Friday 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. and Saturday by appointment only.**

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