

INSTALLATION GUIDELINES

PLUSFLOOR

STONE EFFECT LVT

GLUE DOWN TILE

BEFORE INSTALLATION

CHECK INSTALLATION MATERIAL

- Before installing Plusfloor Tiles, check all material for correct color, design, size and that the correct quantity is available to finish the job.
- Checking all material before installation can assure that the job won't be delayed.
- Complaints with regard to clearly identifiable defects can't be accepted once the flooring has been laid.
- Boxes of tiles should be removed from pallets and separated from one another as part of the acclimatisation process.

JOB SITE CONDITION

- Maintain all flooring material and adhesive between 65°F (19°C) and 85°F (30°C) for at least 48 hours before installation, during installation, and after installation to ensure proper product and adhesive functionality.
- The minimum temperature of the sub-floor should not be under 10°C. The recommended relative humidity inside the room should be between 35% and 65%.
- Heat should be maintained in areas to receive flooring with the building's permanent heating system.
- All flooring material must be stored flat and kept away from direct sunlight, heaters or air vents for proper conditioning.
- The work must be completed with an inspection. Ensure that the newly laid floor is free from adhesive residues.
- The installation should not begin until the works of all other trades have been completed.

INSTALLATION AND WARRANTY

All Plusfloor floors must be installed by a competent installer who will have the necessary skills and take individual site circumstances into account. The Plusfloor warranty will apply only to floors which have been installed by a competent flooring installer comparable to BS8201 in the UK or equivalent standard worldwide.

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SUB-FLOORS

- Proper preparation of the sub-floor is an important part of a successful installation.
- No floor covering installation is better than the sub-floor over which it is installed. The finished appearance and performance of the floor covering will be determined and affected, in part, by the condition of the sub-floor.
- The installer should take care to ensure that the sub-floor and substrate are properly prepared to receive the new flooring. Adequate and careful attention to this will help prevent ridging and tunneling, bumps caused from dirt or other textures, discoloration from residual adhesives, nails or other fastening devices and improperly used underlay panels, alkali deposits, mold and mildew.
- It should be rigid, finished smoothly, flat, level, clean and dust free.

CONCRETE SUB-FLOORS

- Concrete sub-floors must be dry, smooth and free from dust, solvent, paint, wax oil, asphalt sealing compounds and other extraneous materials. The surface must be hard, dense and free from powder or flaking.

WOOD SUB-FLOORS

- Moisture test should be performed using a pin-type moisture meter. The moisture content should be 13% or less.
- Wood sub-floors must be structurally sound and in compliance with local building codes.
- Wood sub-floors should be suspended with a minimum of 18 inches of well ventilated air space below.
- Crawl spaces must have a vapor barrier covering the ground.
- Wood sub-floors directly fastened to concrete, or sleeper construction are not recommended.

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- Before starting to install tiles, determine the type of laying taking into account the shape of the room and the design to be laid.
- Always try not to end with less than 6 inches from wall for the best appearance.
- Tiles are marked on the reverse with arrows. Tiles should be laid in a checkerboard pattern.
- Installation should start from the center of the room and finish on the sides (walls)
- When installing tiles, the center line must be determined and checked to ensure good size cuts will be fitted at the perimeter.
- The positioning of the center line must determine a start point from which to start the installation and will minimize small cuts or perimeter tiles.

POST INSTALLATION

- Concrete sub-floors must be dry, smooth and free from dust, solvent, paint, wax oil, asphalt sealing.
- Never slide appliances or other heavy items across the floor. Use plywood and a hand dolly or an approved air ride appliance moving device.
- Use walk-off mats without rubber backing to control grit.
- Use furniture glides and protectors to prevent scratching and indentations.
- Recommend all rolling chairs have castors designed for resilient flooring that are not damaged.
- Do not wet-wash, scrub or strip the floor for a minimum of 7 days following installation.
- Plusfloor Tiles can be used with under-floor heating providing it is switched off for 48 hours before and after laying (the maximum permitted surface temperature is 27°C / 80°F) . Once the floor has been installed and allowed to acclimatize for 24 hours, the underfloor heating must be gradually increased by increments of 5°C until it reaches the maximum operating temperature of 27°C (80°F) over a period of at least 24 hours.

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