

# TERRAZZO INSTALATION GUIDE

### 1 - PREPARATION

Terrazzo floor tiles must be laid onto a concrete subfloor. If your subfloor is made of wood you will need to install concrete board before tiling. Use thinset between the floor and the concrete board and also use screws or nails to attach it securely to the wooden subfloor. Make sure that your finished surface is free of any irregularities before you start laying your terrazzo floor tiles.

## 2 - WHERE TO START

Mark a chalk line from the centre of each wall across the room. Where these intersect is the centre of the room. Start laying your tiles from this intersection outwards.

## 3 - LAYING THE TILES

Evenly spread an area of about three- or four-square feet of thinset using your trowel. Make sure that the surface is as smooth as possible. Place your first tile at the marked intersection. Place a tile spacer in each corner of the tile. Place your next tile directly against the spacers. Keep adding spacers, applying thinset, and laying tiles until you reach the wall.

## 4 - CUTTING TERRAZZO TILES

Your tiles will probably not exactly reach the wall, so you will need to cut one to size. Carefully measure the size you need using a tape. Cut the tile using your wet saw. Set the tile in the remaining space.

## 5 - SEALING AND GROUTING

Let your tiles sit overnight to allow the thinset to set hard. Remove your tiles spacers. Apply one coat of Sealer (Check in our website options), before grouting. Use a grout float to apply the grout. Ensure that all of the joints are evenly filled with grout. Use a wet sponge to clean the tiles and remove excess grout from the joints and then seal two or three times.

Your terrazzo floor tiles are now installed and ready for cleaning, polishing, or sealing as required.

NOTE: This installation instructions are offered as guidelines only. Cemento Collection will not be held responsible for any installation errors.