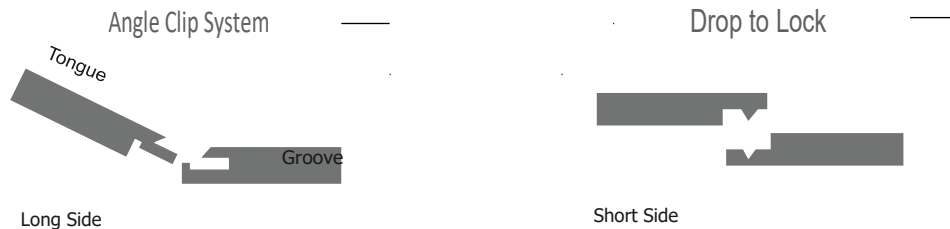


WhisperClick : Acoustic Solid-Core Flooring

INSTALLATION INSTRUCTION



INSTALLATION GUIDE

WhisperClick is the latest generation of high-quality resilient flooring. It has a unique interlocking-edge design for easy installation. Simply follow the steps and you will experience how easily this product is installed in just a few hours. The UV wear layer has millions of ceramic microspheres that make this flooring a very durable and resistant flooring option.

TOOLS AND MATERIALS NEEDED

- Utility knife & straight edge
- Tile saw or cutter
- Measuring tape
- Shears for cutting around irregular shaped objects
- 1/8" – 3/8" spacers
- Transition moldings and baseboards

TRICKS FOR MEASURING

Measure the length and width to determine the square footage of the room. Alcoves or offsets should be measured separately. Purchase at least 10% extra to cover waste, trimming and for future replacement needs.

NOTE: If you have more than one run number, we recommend you install planks from 4 or 5 different cases from different run numbers together. This will limit shade variations.

CAUTION: Do not install WhisperClick over carpet. This product is not suitable for outdoor use, sunrooms, solariums or saunas. Planks may warp if subject to excessive heat and may shrink if exposed to excessive cold. We also highly recommend you do not install in rooms or homes in which the temperature is not controlled. Exposure to long term direct sunlight can cause expansion damage to your floor. We strive to maintain strict quality control during the

manufacturing process but we recommend checking all planks to ensure uniform appearance.

PRE-INSTALLATION

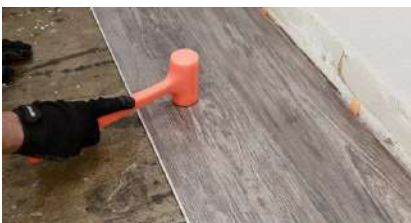
Place horizontally in the room where it will be installed. The room should remain between 60 and 80 degrees Fahrenheit for 48 hours before installation, and during the installation period. Do not remove the planks from the box during this acclimatization period.

SUBFLOOR PREPARATION AND INSTALLATION

The sub-floor surface must be smooth, dry, clean and solid. Any adhesive residue must be removed to ensure proper installation. The subfloor should be flat within a tolerance of 1/8" (3mm) over a span of 4 feet. Any unevenness over 1/8" (3mm) must be sanded or filled with a floor leveler. Voids or humps in the sub-floor will prevent it from locking properly. WhisperClick is waterproof but any moisture problem (greater than 90%) needs to be corrected prior to installation.

INSTALLATION

- Installation should begin with a corner and proceed from the wall with the tongue facing away from the wall. Allow a minimum gap of 3/8" (10mm) for product expansion. Transition moldings or baseboards will cover the gap.
- When laying the first row in a straight line interlock the short ends by inserting the tongue into the grooves at an angle of about 15 to 20 degrees. Install sequential plank on the short end and be sure to line up evenly. Place this first row along the chosen wall respecting the minimum gap by using spacers.
- Keep the seams tight between planks. You will feel and hear the click when locking the planks together to create a tight seam. There should be no visible gap between planks. If seams do not appear tight, pull the planks apart immediately and try again.
- When installing, it is strongly suggested to stagger the rows so that the short edge seams are not in a straight uniform line.
- To start the second row, measure and mark the plank, then using a straight edge and utility knife, score the plank and snap it.
- Interlock the first plank of the second row again at a 15-20 degree angle. For the next planks, interlock the short side first, leaving it slightly away from the long side and then slide it into the long side in the same manner. Start the third row with the last plank remaining from the previous row.





- Fitting around irregular objects is very easy. Simply make a pattern out of heavy paper to fit around pipes or irregular objects. Place the pattern on the plank and trace. Cut along trace lines using a utility knife or heavy duty scissors, and lay plank. Allow for expansion gaps along each wall. The humidity of a room can vary due to differences between the seasons. Therefore the floor must be able to expand and contract in all directions. This expansion can amount to 1/12 in. per 3.28 ft. (2mm per meter), so the greater the surface area, the greater the room for expansion required. To allow for this variation, an 5/16 in. -3/8 in. (8-12 mm) expansion gap is provided at all walls. A gap must also be provided around pipes or at thresholds or obstacles.