

## **Greatmats.com Corp. Installation Instructions For Elite Exercise Foam Tile**

These instructions supersede any verbal or written instructions from Greatmats representatives, and must be followed in order for the warranty to be in effect.

### **Delivery**

- Order materials in compliance with product supplier's ordering and lead time requirements, in order to take delivery at least 48 hours in advance of installation (to allow materials to acclimate to the job site conditions).
- Accept delivery of materials and note any damage on the Bill of Receipt, and contact your supplier right away if any damage was present at delivery.

### **Storage**

- Store material in original packaging in a clean area protected from all weather and maintained at a minimum temperature of 55 degrees Fahrenheit.
- If material is distorted during storage or transporting, do not attempt to install it. Call your sales person.

### **Materials and Accessories Required**

- Flooring: Elite Exercise Foam 20" x 20" tiles
- Optional Accessories: 1/8" thick wall cove base or similar as desired, transition strips
- Other: utility knife, T-square, pen and measuring tape

### **Layout**

- The flooring dealer or contractor is recommended to provide a layout drawing for the intended installation that contains the following information
  - o Date and scale of drawing
  - o Location, swing, and clearance of all doors
  - o Existing substrate/subfloor conditions
  - o Notation identifying who is responsible for:
    - preparation of existing substrate
    - removal of debris from new floor covering installation
    - protection of finished floor covering after installation
    - Initial maintenance procedures
  - o Product quantities required

### **Substrate Preparation**

#### **Concrete substrates and subfloors**

- The substrate/subfloor must be sound, clean, permanently dry, level, and free of contaminants, including paint, old adhesive, curing compounds, oil, grease, wax, asphalt, or other contaminants that could negatively affect the performance of the floor tiles. Any irregularities in the substrate/subfloor may telegraph (show through) to the finished floor.
- Floor laying work shall not begin until the installer has assessed and approved the substrate and subfloor conditions.

#### Installation

1. Remove all foreign materials and use a broom to remove all dirt and debris from floor.
2. Measure the room and pop the centerline in the center of the floor in both directions.
3. The center of the room will be your starting point.
4. Start laying flooring in the center and work towards the ends. Work out one or two tile "runs" at a time, this will help keep the floor straight and square.
5. Simply interlock the tiles together, pushing one tile into the tabs of the other, no tools required for this effort.
6. Continue the installation of the modules until it is necessary to cut in to the walls.
7. Measure the tile size needed for the wall and cut tiles with a utility knife. Remember to leave a .25 inch space from the wall for expansion.
8. Install all edges and cove base as desired.

#### Clean Up and Final Finish

- Dust mop, sweep or mop the floor to clear the area of debris and grit.