



Installation Instructions For EZ Floor Underlayment

General Installation

The following installation instructions are recommended by the manufacturer, but are not intended as a definitive product specification. They are presented in an attempt to be used with recommended installation procedures of flooring manufacturers.

Jobsite Conditions

The room, underlayment, flooring materials and adhesives must be maintained at 65 to 85 degrees F and the relative humidity below 60% for 48 hours prior to, during and after the installation.

Subfloor Preparation

All subfloor work should be structurally sound, clean and level. The moisture content of the subfloor should not be more than 10 lbs. per 1000 s/f /24hrs as measured via a calcium chloride test, before the underlayment is applied. EZ-Floor will reduce the moisture transmission of a subfloor 10 lbs or less to less than 5 lbs.

Existing Floor Coverings

EZ-Floor Underlayment allows for the installation of LVT over many existing flooring materials. Among surfaces that can be installed over without removal are: vinyl composition tile, non-cushioned vinyl or linoleum sheet goods, ceramic tile, natural stone, hardwood or laminates (gout joints, bevel joints or gaps must be skim coated flush) and subfloors with paint or old adhesive residue on them.

Expansion Space / Requirements

To allow for expansion and contraction, all finish trims and transition moldings must be installed in a manner that does not bind or constrain the floor from moving to accommodate seasonal or thermal changes.

The required expansion /perimeter isolation space can be achieved by leaving a 1/8" to 1/4" gap between finished flooring and the fixed partitions or walls. The underlayment should observe the same expansion / perimeter isolation space.

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Applying EZ-Floor Underlayment to the Subfloor For Use With Glued Down & LVT Plank Flooring

The EZ-Floor Underlayment must be installed perpendicular to the long axis dimension of “plank” type products to be installed and with the vapor barrier film side facing down to the subfloor. Determine the layout, noting that the seams in the EZ-Floor Underlayment must be at least 4” away from the end seams in the finished flooring. Cut the 2mm EZ- Floor roll material to the desired length and position the material in the space to be covered, leaving a space of approximately 1/4” from any walls or fixed partitions or objects. Cut the second sheet of EZ-Floor Underlayment to length and position it with the seam butted tightly to the first sheet installed. Secure the sheets together using a quality 2” wide, clear packaging tape (minimum 3 mil thickness). Apply the tape centered equally over the seam. Do not use thicker types of tapes, as they may “telegraph” through to the finished flooring. Proceed to cover the entire room, making sure the sheets are tightly butted together, without gaps.

Note: Any gaps in the underlayment can “telegraph” through some resilient flooring products, so the underlayment should be installed as smoothly and as well seamed as possible.

EZ-Floor Underlayment For Floating LVT Flooring

Follow the same instructions noted above, except install the EZ-Floor Underlayment with the vapor barrier film side facing up.

Finished Flooring Installation

Install the finished flooring immediately after the EZ-Floor Underlayment has been installed. Follow the manufacturer’s recommended instructions for installing the finished floor, using the adhesive and trowel size specified.

Note: The EZ-Floor Underlayment should be considered to be a non-porous substrate.

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