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1. General instructions

Please inspect the goods with respect to the quantity supplied and the design variant ordered. All packages are to be inspected for batch uniformity and any defects prior to commencing the laying process. The colour consistency of the goods is guaranteed only upon the supply of fabricated items (batch). In each consignment, we endeavour to send you uniform goods. Should subsequent orders be placed for an item, please always specify the batch number. If our stocks permit, you will receive uniform goods in a subsequent shipment or you will be informed that there is a batch-specific deviation. Damaged or defective planks are to be sorted and notification thereof provided immediately, duly specifying the item number and the batch number. Visible defects can no longer be admitted once the flooring has been laid. In the event of noticable defects, please contact your supplier immediately.

Office chairs that are to be used with PROJECT FLOORS floor coverings must be equipped with type W soft castors conforming to DIN 68131. Affix felt pads such as Dr. Schutz's scratchnomore to provide extra protection against score marks and scratches from movable furniture.

2. Substrate

Suitable subsurfaces are all surfaces which are flat. clean and free of grease, fat and cracks, and which have a surface temperature no lower than 15 C. National guidelines and standards and recognized rules of the trade apply. You must conform to German Construction Contract Procedures (VOB) Part C DIN 18365 Flooring works and the minimum requirements for screed in DIN 18560. You must also comply with DIN 18202, Tolerances in building construction. If heated flooring is being installed, you must meet the requirements in the German Central Association for Plumbing, Central Heating and Air Conditioning (ZVSHK) Code of Practice "Interface coordinates in flooring structures" and in the German Parquet and Flooring Technology (ZVPF) Code of Practice. You must observe DIN EN1264-4:2001-12. The surface temperature should not exceed 28 °C. During laying, the subsurface temperature should remain constant for 72 hours after the floor is fitted to ensure that the adhesive bonds properly.

You also need to observe the German Federal Association of Screed and Floor Covering's (BEB) Code of Practice "Assessing and preparing subsurfaces, laying elastic and textile floorings".

If you are fitting the flooring on a surface to be treated with filler, it is recommended to prepare/fill the surface using a squeegee and a spike-tooth or deaeration roller. You can obtain the instructions directly from the filler/adhesive manufacturer. We recommend carrying out the entire construction chemical process systematically as per the manufacturer's recommendations.

Not suitable as substrate are any textile or moisture-sensitive floorings, PVC floorings with foamed rear and laminate floorings. As a general rule, our floorings must not be laid in conservatories or areas which may be exposed to strong sunlight or heat (except rooms which have a relatively constant temperature +/- 5 degrees Celsius the whole year). It is not recommended to lay floorings on electric floor heating systems since the heating temperature rises too quickly.

Any subsurfaces not laid by PROJECT FLOORS require special approval. Laying flooring on non-approved subsurfaces may void the warranty in the event of a claim in such cases. Rubber-based castors and wheels, such as car tyres, may cause irreversible discolouration in the event of constant contact with the PROJECT FLOORS products.

3. Acclimatisation

The flooring must be left to acclimatise in the rooms where it will be laid for at least 48 hours before it is fitted. Do not leave the flooring on the pallet. Instead, make stacks of max. 4-5 packages which are as small as possible about 50 cm away from a wall. Packages must never be stored in a vertical position.

You must meet the following indoor climate conditions for 48 hours before and while the floor is being laid and for 72 hours after it is fitted:

PROJECT FLOORS Dryback design floorings must be laid at a min. room temperature of 18 °C, a floor temperature of over 15 °C and a max. relative humidity of 75%. Flooring must not acclimatise in direct sunlight.

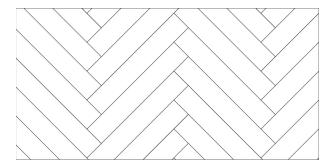
4. Installation

Rooms should be measured and divided up with a chalk line to ensure optimum division of space. PROJECT FLOORS floorings must be affixed onto absorbent subsurfaces with dispersion adhesive applied across their whole surface using the wet adhesive bed process. Observe our current recommendations on adhesive usage. Special conditions on site, such as strong sunlight and high moisture levels, require a specifically adapted approach to fitting boards. You will find more information on this aspect on our website or you contact our Application Engineering can Department. You must observe the adhesive manufacturer's instructions with regard to aspects such as quantity and airing time. If you use a different adhesive, you must obtain our approval and approval from the manufacturer in writing.

5. Special advise for our herringbone and Chevron planks

Fitting herringbone planks using the herringbone, ladder pattern or Chevron requires great care and preparation to ensure an accomplished result. We'd like to give you a few tips to make it easier to lay boards:

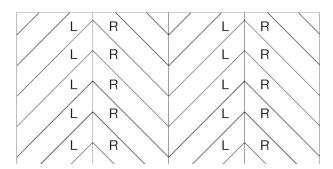
When fitting boards in a herringbone pattern: You must ensure that angle measurements are exact when laying boards at 90°. Even the tiniest deviations will leave gaps as you fit boards:



When laying boards in a chevron pattern:

Use a rust-free cutting ruler/steel strip to help lay the first row. You must ensure the first row is measured precisely. Even the tiniest deviations will leave gaps as you fit boards.

The Chevron Collection also contains two different slat types: a right-hand one and a left-hand one. You can distinguish between them as follows:



You must switch from side to side as you fit them and work your way up.

Our products undergo stringent quality controls however there may occasionally be a slight burr at the edges as a result of the manufacturing process. This needs to be removed before the plank is laid to ensure a perfectly aligned installation.

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