

Substrates

Removal of all existing flooring is recommended whenever possible; however, in certain circumstances it may be possible to install over an existing floor. BILD vinyl flooring material may be installed over existing flooring surfaces such as terrazzo, epoxy, ceramic tile, quarry tile, metal floors, and in certain cases resilient floors and VCT, provided they are dry, well bonded, sound, smooth, and free of waxes, polishes and/or any other foreign materials.

The responsibility of determining if the existing floor is a suitable subfloor rests solely with the installer and flooring contractor. If there is any doubt, the existing floor should be removed.

<u>Concrete Floors</u>: Concrete Floors must be smooth, clean, and permanently dry. Floors must be free of all foreign materials, including dust, sealers, paint, grease, oils, solvents, curing/hardening compounds, asphalt, old adhesive, residue, and any other contaminants.

<u>Metal Subfloors</u>: Metal subfloors (Steel or Aluminum) must be clean, rigid, and free from all rust, oil, grease, coatings and all other contaminants.

<u>Wood Floors</u>: Wood floors should be double layer construction with a minimum total thickness of 1". The subfloor must be rigid, free from movement, and have at least 18" of well-ventilated air space below. Wood subfloors must not exceed 8% moisture content when measured with a Delmhorst Wood Moisture Tester. Do not install over particle board, chip board or MasoniteTM.

<u>Unsuitable Substates Include</u>: Rubber, Custioned Flooring, Strip Wood, Gypsum Based Underlaymentor Lightweight Concrete

Trade Show & Loose Lay Flooring Installs

- 1. Sweep and clean floor before rolling out product.
- 2. Unroll flooring on flooring and allow it to relax and lay flat. Initially, edges may be curled due to being rolled on a core (This is normal).
- 3. The amount of time to lay flat will vary based on room temperature and how long flooring has been rolled up in storage.
- 4. Use a broom to push out any air underneath and let the BLT flooring acclimate to surroundings.
- 5. For temporary installation, we recommend using Seaming Tape to the backside seams and double-sided carpet tape for around the perimeter.
- 6. You must first apply clear box tape to backside of the floor wherever you will have Seaming Tape to ensure that the print will not be damaged during removal. Failure to do so may result in significant damage to your printed floor.
- 7. For large areas with more than one panel, edges may be butted together for a seamless appearance.
- 8. Always package flooring material clean, dry and tightly on a core.
- 9. All images should be face out, and entire roll should be shrink wrapped.

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