

## **Installation Guidelines of the Bamboo Collection**

These guidelines are general guidelines. As the responsibility lies with those who perform the installation, no warranty is expressed or implied.

Installation of the cut pile carpets from the Bamboo Collection should be one of the last terms installed for any new construction or remodel project. All work involving water or moisture should be completed before the installation.

### **Prior to installation**

Check if delivery is confirm to order.

It is recommend that he material is acclimated for a minimum of 24 hours, open, at the installation site before it is cut to fit. Failure to do so can result in some shrinkage after the material is already cut and installed. .Shrinkage is not a manufacturing defect.

Bamboo Collection floorcoverings should be cut, preferably using a straight edge with a slotted razor carpet knife. Change the blades frequently. Trim off the factory side edges .

### **Sub-floor preparation**

Quality of your floorcovering installation depends on the quality and the preparation of the sub-floor. The floor must be :

- structurally sound
- thoroughly swept or vacuumed with removal of all debris.
- clean and level, fully cured; dry and free of dust, grease, wax, old coating or adhesive, and any other substances. Cracks must be filled.

If you have any doubts about the adhesive absorbency of the floor use a sealer coat prior to installation.

### **Installation procedure**

Keep the conditions at the installation site stable and well ventilated giving the adhesive time to cure.

### **Method 1 : DIRECT STICK CARPET INSTALLATION**

This is the best installation when stuck direct to a dry, flat surface. This bamboo/polyamide blend can absorb moisture in wet or humid conditions and may often try to shrink or expand. Therefore direct adhesion to the floor improves the stability of the installation. We recommend the following installation process ::

- roll the carpet out and cut it in roughly so that it is flat
- but leave the seams 5 cm either side overlapped
- pull back the first half of each length either side of the join and spread the adhesive evenly, but leave a gap of 20 cm either side of the join free of adhesive. Taken into account the curing time of the adhesive, use a heavy roller to roll the carpet into the adhesive. This will ensure a good bond is achieved.
- pull back the second half of each length either side of the join and spread the adhesive evenly, but keep again that gap of 20 cm either side of the join free of adhesive. Taken into account the curing time of the adhesive, use a heavy roller to roll the carpet into the adhesive .
- when the main body of the installation is glued to the floor, first double cut in the seams, then open up the seam and repeat the gluing process in the gap of 40 cm on the whole length, close the seam and roll the seam in the adhesive taken into account the curing time of the adhesive.

### **Method 2 : DOUBLE STICK CARPET INSTALLATION**

For a permanent installation, the double bond underlay should be glued overall to the floor. For a removable installation use a "peel up" adhesive or a self adhesive underlay to fix on the sub-floor. . Ensure that the underlay joins do not coincide with the carpet joins.

The installation process for the carpet on the underlay is now the same as for a direct stick carpet installation :