

Installation Instructions

Entry Carpet Systems

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Upon Receipt

Each roll has a batch number; ensure all rolls are from the same batch before installation, as mixing batches may lead to slight colour variations.

Preparation for Entry Carpet Installation

Conditioning

Prior to installation, it's essential to condition the site. Ensure that all exterior windows and doors are properly sealed before starting the installation process or any floor preparations.

Site Conditions

The site and floors must meet the following conditions for at least 48 hours before, during, and after installation:

- Floor Temperature: $\geq 15^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Ambient Temperature: $\pm 18^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Site Humidity: $< 70^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Floor Humidity: $< 2.5\%$

Advance Flooring will not be responsible for any failures or damage arising from high moisture, alkalinity, acidity or other subfloor conditions.

Floor Preparation

The substrate must be structurally sound, clean, level, and dry, in accordance with AS/NZS 2455.1:2007. It should be free from dust, dirt, oil, grease, paint, curing agents, adhesives, and any substances that may affect adhesion. Ensure the compressive strength is suitable for the anticipated traffic and use; if necessary, apply a levelling compound and primer.

When installing ribbed carpet in doorways or on ramps, it should be laid at right angles to the traffic path to ensure optimal slip resistance and soil cleaning effectiveness.

Advance Flooring indoor/outdoor carpets can be laid over conventional timber decking, provided the decking gaps do not exceed 5 mm. However, please note that the gaps may still be visible through the carpet.

Entry Carpet Preparation

While Advance Flooring guarantees premium quality, we recommend inspecting the product for any damage or defects and verifying that the product, colour, dimensions and quantity match your order. Please note that we will not cover costs associated with the replacement or repair of visibly damaged or defective product once installed.

Open the rolls and lay them loose in the area allowing them to acclimate to the site temperature for 24 hours before installation.

Identify the carpet pile and backing before starting installation.

Protecting Tiles During Construction

If the product is installed in a construction area, protect them from dirt and moisture. Whenever possible, keep covered until construction is complete.

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Adhesive

We recommend using a suitable fibre-enhanced dispersion adhesive for bonding to porous bases and levelled areas, and a compatible 2-component PU adhesive for sealed non-porous bases. Use contact adhesive for installation on stairs. Only use adhesives from the same product line and supplier. Ensure proper ventilation during adhesive application. Follow the adhesive suppliers installation instructions.

Extreme care must be taken when using solvents or solvent-based adhesives, as they can soften and dissolve the carpet backing, negatively impacting the carpet's performance and service life.

Recommended Adhesives

DecoRib/WideRib Indoor/Outdoor Carpet, Boss, ScrapeRib	PureBack products on porous bases: Symphony2 and Connection	Pure Back products on non-porous bases: Symphony2 and Connection
Exterior: Roberts 6037	Wet gluing: UZIN KE66	Wet gluing: UZIN KR430
Covered external areas, garages (no pooling water): Giltgrip 777		
Interior (dry) and solvent free: UZIN 57		

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Installation Method

This product is intended for indoor use only, unless explicitly stated as suitable for outdoor use. During installation, protect it from direct sunlight and heat radiation from any sources. Install the entrance carpet in the length or walking direction whenever possible.

Prepare the Carpet

Unroll the carpet sheets in the same direction, towards the main light source (natural or artificial). Lay the rolls side by side, overlapping them by approximately 3 cm. Use a cutter and metal straightedge to remove the excess material. For Advance ribbed carpets, ensure the ribs are aligned and make cuts in the valleys between the ribs of both layers. Avoid cross seams, and do not use knee kickers or power stretchers.

Install the Carpet

Fold the carpet sheets back and apply the recommended adhesive, ensuring you adhere to the specified tack times. Once the adhesive is ready, unroll the carpet sheets back into their original position, ensuring the joints are closely butted. Immediately roll the installation to ensure proper adhesive transfer, rolling from the centre outwards to the edges and joins to prevent air pockets. Repeat if necessary and allow a minimum of 24 hours before using the area.

Protect the installation from damage, using knaplock bars and stair nosings on all unprotected edges. For entrance carpet installations, a matwell frame may be used if needed, and to avoid trip hazards, we recommend adhering the carpet to the subfloor.

Preventive Measures for Entry Carpet Care

The susceptibility of carpet to soil largely depends on its colour and structure, so it's essential to consider these factors alongside durability when selecting a carpet. Needled textile floor coverings effectively conceal dirt due to their blend of coarse and fine fibres, making them easy to maintain and a cost-effective choice.

Additionally, implementing adequate dirt catchment areas in entrances and corridors is crucial for preventing dirt accumulation. An effective catchment area should be at least five meters long to ensure that approximately 80% of dirt is trapped, requiring everyone to walk over it. To maintain its effectiveness, this area should be included in regular cleaning routines.

When exposed to heavy wheeled traffic, the carpet should be adequately protected with plywood boarding.

Product Quality and Warranty

Advance Flooring is responsible for the product's quality as outlined in the technical data sheet. We will not be liable for improper installation, installation of visibly defective carpet, or incorrect adhesive use. The product is covered under warranty only when it is used and maintained correctly.

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