

## Pre-finished engineered flooring Installation Guide

- 48 hours before install, store the flooring to the area it is to be installed in, allowing the floor to acclimatise to the room. Store flat in a protected, shaded, dry location, in its original unopened packaging and away from heat or moisture sources. Care needs to be taken to keep the product away from these sources by keeping it raised above the ground and not touching the walls. This product should not be stored outside and ideally between 18-25°C. Any storage of the product should follow the above recommendations.
- We recommended that you direct stick our flooring. Please ask for recommendations on moisture barrier and adhesive. Before installation, the substrate needs to be entirely clean, free of cracks, dry, level, and rid of resins and coatings that could prevent the moisture barrier and or adhesive from bonding and working effectively. Unevenness needs to be checked carefully and should not be exceeding 3mm of variation in height for every 1m<sup>2</sup> of floor area.
- If the area to be laid is concrete slab, then a coat of an approved moisture barrier should be applied and once dry, moisture testing conducted. Additional coats of moisture barrier should be applied, then allowed to dry until the hygrometer reading is below 70% Relative Humidity.
- If the area to be laid is timber substrate, machine sanding is required and the moisture difference between the engineered timber flooring and timber substrate should not be greater than 4%.
- We recommend our flooring is laid when the substrate is between 15°C and 27°C, with relative humidity of 45% to 55%. An allowance of 5 to 10mm should be provided around the perimeter when direct fixing engineered timber to accommodate for expansion, including at doorways, connections with tiles and any fixed items in the area where the floor is laid. Preferably skirting's should not be fitted before laying. Dry laying of 2-3 rows is also recommended to achieve the best result and please do not apply adhesive or tape to the prefinished floor surface.
- When underfloor heating is installed it is essential to gradually increase the floor temperature to avoid 'shocking' the floor. The maximum surface temperature should not exceed 27 degrees Celsius. Furthermore, this flooring is not suitable for bathroom environments.
- As this is a natural product, it will wear over time, colour and grain pattern will vary from piece to piece. It will also react to sunlight, possibly resulting in fading or darkening. Generally darker colours tend to fade while lighter colours darken. None of this is considered a fault and is a part of the natural beauty. Also please note there can be colour variation between batches.



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