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INSTALLATION GUIDE



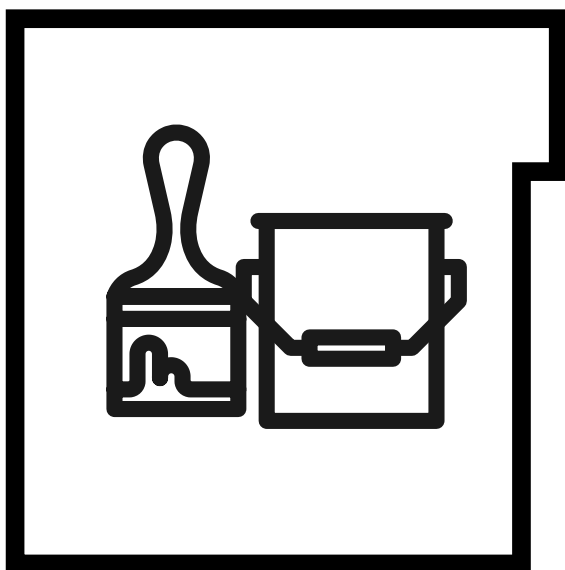
INSTALLATION

Read our tips on how to install carpet for your commercial space.

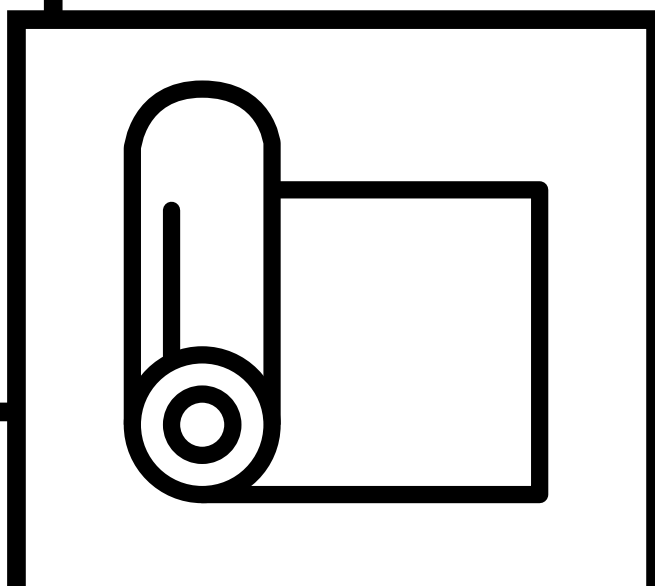
For a smooth and perfect install, we always recommend working with a professional. Professional carpet installers will choose the right carpet installation technique and install the carpet according to the industry's best practices.

In order for the correct floor covering to be installed in appropriate conditions, at the right time, etc, it is essential that all parties have a clear understanding of the requirements of the project, e.g. new build or refurbishment, and of the implications for all concerned.

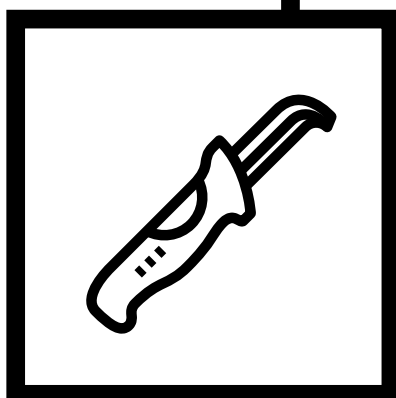
PROJECT TOOLS



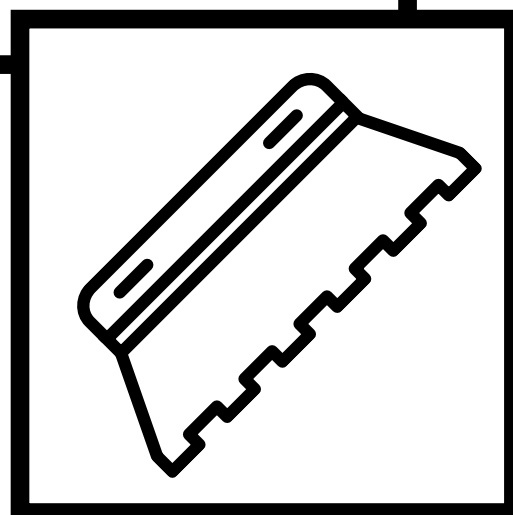
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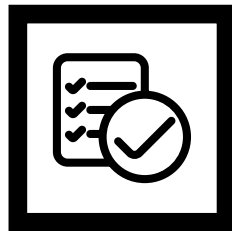


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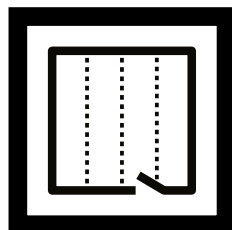
TIPS



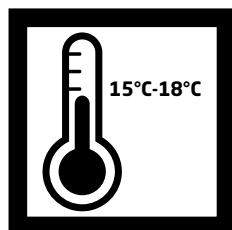
1 Before starting, check if the carpet corresponds to the requested specifications in terms of width, colour, design, quantity, dimensions, appearance, visible defects and possible damage during transport.



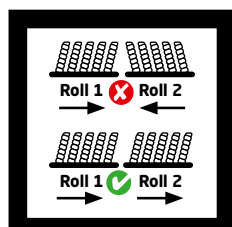
2 Make sure that the subfloor is properly prepared. See page 5.



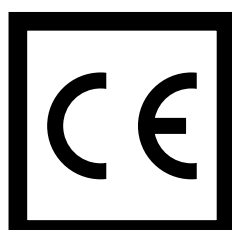
3 Create a detailed fitting-plan before cutting the carpet.



4 Let the carpet acclimatise before fitting by leaving it rolled out flat in a room for 24 hours for better pile recovery and roll tension. Room temperature before, during and after fitting should be at least 15°C. Moist percentage should not exceed 30%-60%.



5 It is essential to fit all the pieces of the carpet in the same pile direction. So be sure to check the direction of the pile first.



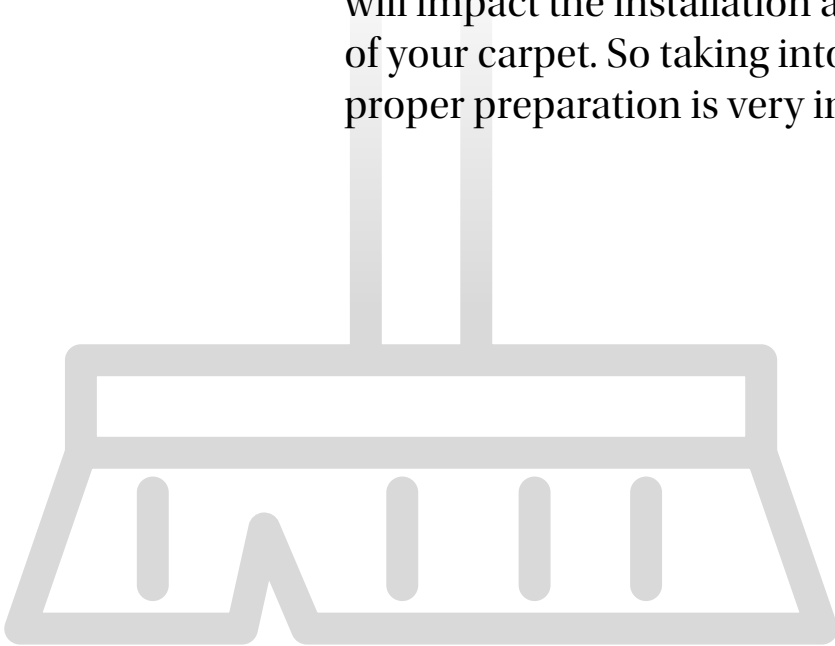
6 The carpet should be installed wholly flat and at an even tension to avoid permanent slackness, rucking and rippling. We recommend to fully adhere the carpet with adhesive showing the EC1 label. These are solvent free, environmentally friendly and have a low number of emissions.

SUBFLOOR PREPARATION

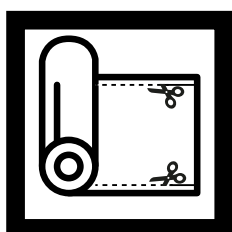
Every successful carpet installation job starts with a properly cleaned subfloor.

Irregularities in your subfloor can be corrected by using a smoothing compound. Most subfloors will also require priming.

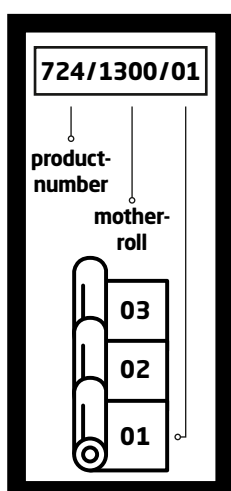
The type and condition of your subfloor will impact the installation and durability of your carpet. So taking into account a proper preparation is very important.



INSTALLATION METHODS



If the carpet has self-edges and/or a uni-coloured border, cut back the edges on both carpet widths to achieve edge-to-edge pattern match.

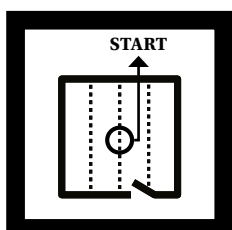


Verify the labels on the carpet rolls.

Place the carpet rolls with increasing number next to each other 01//02//03//04 from the same motherroll.

Always start pattern matching in the centre of the area to be installed.

Seams and cross joins should be limited as much as possible. Seams should be along rather than across the traffic flow and in the length of the area.



Never glue the carpet before you are sure the matching is correct. If there is a doubt about the correct matching, consult the responsible or the manufacturers' representative.

SEAMS

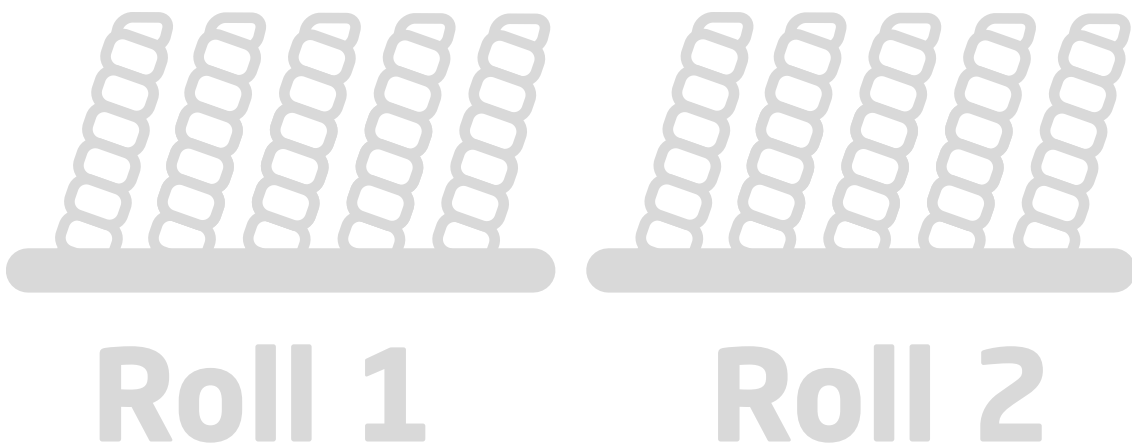
Consistent with the clear understanding by all parties on the implications of increases in the amount of material usage, the number of seams should be reduced to a minimum. They should be unobtrusive and so positioned that wherever possible, and in order of importance:

- a. the seams and cross joints are placed away from areas subject to heavy and twisting wear, doorways, lift entrances, stair noses and areas of narrow access;
- b. piece dyed qualities: never make joints between middle and side pieces;
- c. traffic flow is along rather than across the seam;
- d. the seams run the length of the area;
- e. the incident light does not strike across the seam;
- f. avoid having seams or joints directly above joints of substrates.

PILE DIRECTION

Where two or more pieces of the same textile floor covering are adjacent in the same area, the direction of pile-lay should be the same.

Where a textile floor covering is being installed in more than one area and/or level, the direction of pile may vary and full discussion with all parties to decide pile direction is essential at all times.



MATCHING

At an early stage a clear understanding should be reached with the client regarding the amount of extra material that is necessary for pattern matching, centering of major motifs and fitting purposes and the dimensional variations that exist or may occur in textile fabrics.

It should be kept in mind that our quoted dimensions are nominal and are subject to both tolerance and ambient condition variations. Dimensions may be accurate when materials leave the manufacturer but may be affected by changes in atmospheric conditions, in transport or during storage prior to installation.

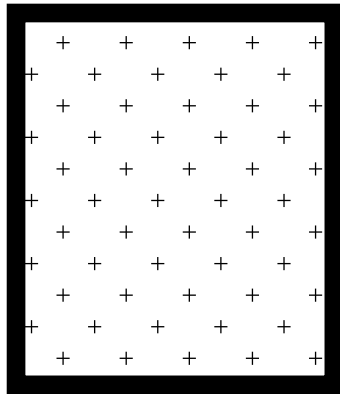
It is recommended to install the carpet with the consecutive pieces from the same dyebath. Using offcuts for fitting some small areas are not recommended.

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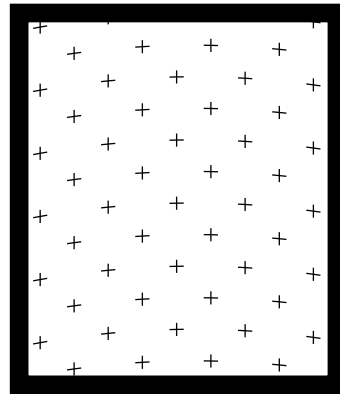
Textile products placed side to side are difficult to adjust due to the nature of the product. All rolls are within the tolerance on dimension, deviation in pattern repeat, bowing or skewing limited by the (CEN/TS 14159 standard).

Shading is the general description given to a number of optical effects in the appearance of textile floor coverings due to localized alterations in the orientations of the tufts or loops. This is not a real change in hue, but a difference in light reflection. This cannot be attributed to a fault of manufacture or installation, but architects and specifiers should be aware of this phenomenon in certain styles of carpets.

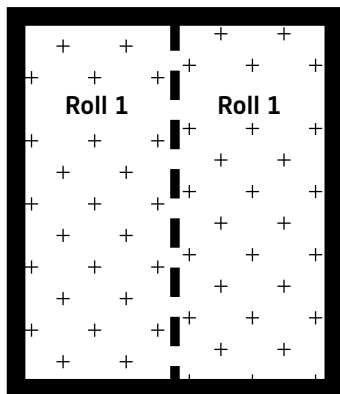
Specifically requested lengths, may be different, due to the industrial production process.



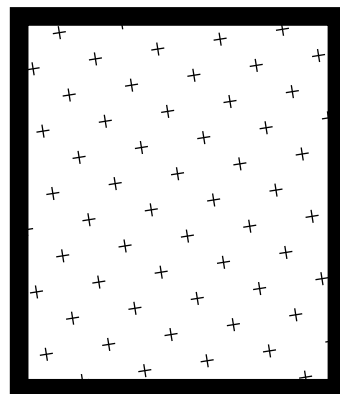
Original pattern



Bowling



Elongation



Skewing

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