

WALL-TO-WALL INSTALLATION GUIDE

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Thank you for choosing a high-quality carpet from Moquetas Rols. In the following guide you will find important information and the main guidelines regarding installation but please remember this must be carried out by a skilled installer to ensure the beauty of the carpet lasts for many years. The best carpet installers are highly skilled, have great knowledge, will give excellent advice and take pride in their work. Always ensure your installer works to the national code of practice for carpet installation and selects the best materials and method of carpet laying for the individual project. We believe a site visit from your installer is an essential part of the process and that they should have seen samples of the materials you intend to install. In a number of key markets, we have both trade installation partners (business to business) and approved retail dealers (business to consumer) who will be happy to assist with your installation requirements. Please contact your area manager for information on our installation partners.

A. PREPARATORY WORK PRIOR TO INSTALLATION

REQUIRED QUANTITIES

Regarding the total amount of carpet required for a project, it is very important to consider the estimated carpet waste according to the drawings provided and the seaming layout scheme. For this reason, the designated installer must carry out an on-site verification of the required amount of carpet before the final order confirmation.

CARPET INSPECTION PRIOR TO INSTALLATION

At Moquetas Rols all our carpets undergo a rigorous inspection process before shipment; however, it is essential to carry out a further inspection on receiving the goods to check for any transport damage, faults, marks, as well as checking design, quality, colours, etc. before making any cuts and proceeding with installation. Furthermore, before unpacking the rolls, it is vital to carry out a visual inspection in order to detect any damage that may have been sustained during transport. Any such damage must be reported immediately to both the transport company and Moquetas Rols. In the unlikely event of finding a defect or deviation from the requested carpet, notify the sales representative in charge of Moquetas Rols. Once cut, Moquetas Rols will not be able to accept any complaint.

SUB-FLOOR REQUIREMENTS

The subfloor should be in perfect condition before proceeding with the installation. It must be clean, dry and crack-free as well as having an even surface. If this is not the case, it is advisable to apply a leveling compound, which, apart from facilitating the application of the glue, will also help to eliminate the smell of the glue. The correct preparation of the subfloor is especially important when replacing old carpet with new carpet. It is also important to remove any residues of grease, oils, and old adhesives without using a solvent. On unevenly absorbing subfloors, the use of a primer is recommended.

TEMPERATURE AND HUMIDITY

It is necessary to carry out a damp-proofing test in the installation site. The subfloor humidity should not in any case exceed 10% in order to avoid the risk of blistering. A room temperature between 18 °C-25 ° C at the installation site will optimize the performance of the glue.

Ensure the heating system (including under floor) heating is turned off and cooled down before installation, as it is advisable that the floor remain cold. The heating should not be turned it back on until 2 days after the installation of the carpet. It is also preferable to protect the carpet from exposure from direct sunlight until this period of time has elapsed.

B. CARPET PREPARATION

ACCLIMATIZATION

It is recommended to allow the carpet, adhesive and subfloor to adjust to room temperature for a period of 24 hours. The carpet should be completely extended in the place where it is going to be installed, before making any cut to ensure that all rolls are positioned in the correct location. Carpet is considered a living fabric and may have shrinkage or elongation during the 24 hours post-extension.

RECOMMENDED INSTALLATION METHOD

The carpet can be installed directly over the subfloor (cement, vinyl, linoleum floors, etc.) once it has been prepared according to the "sub-floor conditions" section, however, it is highly recommended that it is installed over an underlay, since a better performance will be achieved in terms of comfort, sound absorption and greater durability. Full fixation should be always applied in areas greater than 25 m². In areas below 25 m² loose laying can be done, nevertheless the carpet should be fitted to the subfloor around the surrounding walls by applying a strip of glue approximately 10cm wide.

SEAMS AND DIRECTION

The rolls should all be extended in the same pile direction. Opposite or perpendicular directions will create a perceived difference in color. When working in the same room, make sure the rolls of carpet used

belong to the same batch and face. Otherwise, a difference in color on the surface may well be noticeable. As a general rule and whenever possible, it is recommended the seams should be perpendicular to the window that brings the most light into the room. This will considerably disguise the effect of the seam. If possible, avoid seams in more exposed areas such as in front of lifts, entrances or under wheelchairs. Always use a suitable seam sealer for cut edges and a hot melt tape to make a suitably strong seam. Once the seam is made, if there is any unevenness between the tufts, use scissors to level them. Use a spiked roller and zig-zag it all along the seam. It will create a zip effect between the pile disguising the seam.

DESIGN

For a better visual concealment of the seam, designs with mottled or organic background are recommended. Seams on plain backgrounds are not recommended. If possible, always make them at the intersection between the design element and the background.

It must be understood that carpet is a textile and it is not possible to manufacture with exact measurements. All design carpets are subject to certain manufacturing tolerances and therefore a perfect match of the design cannot be guaranteed. However, a good match can be achieved if the right installation tools are used.

If a good match is to be achieved using a power stretcher, it should always be first applied to the smaller design elements. We must bear in mind that once stretched the design will not return to its original size, so we must start with the smaller design elements and proceed with the larger ones.

CARE DURING CUTTING

Identify the direction of the pile and make a clean cut following the natural direction of the carpet. It is important to make a clean cut on both sides of the 2 rolls that are going to be seamed. The use of special carpet scissors is recommended. The two sides should be cut separately with scissors. Be careful not to make the cut with a cutter or cut one carpet on top of another. It is very important that the carpets are cut on site, at the place of installation and never before or outside the place of installation.

PROTECTIVE LAYER

If the installation site is under construction, the carpet should be the last thing to be installed. If this is not possible, protect it from dust and dirt with a plastic or paper layer covering its entire surface. Do not use sticky or adhesive coating. Remember to check with your glue supplier on the drying time, and if this is not possible, do not use the carpet until 24 hours after installation. No furniture should be installed during the first 48 hours as its weight on a recently installed carpet can leave pressure marks that will be impossible to remove.

C. DISCLAIMER

The information contained in our installation guide is provided in good faith. No responsibility is accepted by Moquetas Rols for claims in relation to installation procedures or treatments.

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