
Hide flooring For a perfect result

1. Estimating

- _ Measure the maximum length and width of the room including all passageways and doorways.
- _ Provide an extra 10cm on each side.

2. Preparation

- _ Ensure you have the proper tools within reach:
 - a sharp safety knife with spare blades
 - non permanent marker
 - a tape measure
 - a long straightedge
 - acrylic adhesive or double-sided tape, if required
- _ Reverse roll your Hide floor to acclimatise to room temperature for 24 hours at a temperature of 18°C to enhance its flexibility and manageability.

3. Subfloor

- _ To ensure a smooth and satisfactory result the subfloor must be:
 - clean and smooth
 - free from dust and particles of grit
 - permanently dry
- _ If the surface is uneven, we advise you to create an even surface by:

Wooden floor

Cover with pre-shrunk hardboard or plywood fixed at 150mm centres using ring shank nails.

Concrete floor

Use a levelling compound to fill cracks and holes to obtain a smooth surface.

Tiled floor

Use a levelling compound to bring all joints to the same height.

Soft flooring

Remove old vinyl, linoleum or cork flooring as well as all traces of adhesive.

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4. Fitting

- _ Cut your Hide flooring in an open space adding 10 additional centimetres on all sides. Roll the vinyl flooring up with the pattern on the inside.
- _ Before laying the vinyl flooring in the room, select a wall to use as a starting point to ensure the wall is parallel with the pattern. Put the vinyl flooring in the room and unroll it. Gently sweep the vinyl flooring towards the walls starting from the middle of the room to remove any trapped air underneath.
- _ Cut the vinyl flooring to size along the doors and thresholds.
- _ Press the vinyl flooring firmly outwards and downwards at the corners. Trim the vinyl flooring precisely to size. Keep the knife as straight as possible during trimming.
- _ To obtain an invisible seam, position the second length on top of the first length so that it overlaps it by a few centimetres. Before cutting it, carefully position the second length in respect of the first as far as pattern and repeat are concerned. Then cut through both, remove the strips and you will see that your Hide flooring fits perfectly.
- Your Hide flooring can be fitted without adhesive if the room does not exceed 20m². If necessary, you can put double-sided tape alongside two adjacent walls, at doorways and under seams.
- We advise you to apply an adhesive to fit your Hide flooring if the room exceeds 20m² or it is to be heavily used.

Following adhesive manufacturers instructions will ensure a satisfactory result when fitting your Hide flooring with adhesive: **FBALL – F74-F81-F84**

If necessary, resort to cold-welding to smooth away or strengthen seams using WERNER MÜLLER seam sealer.

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5. Ready to walk on your new flooring!

Your Hide flooring is one of the most hygienic types of floor covering. Dust mites and other micro-organisms cannot nestle in the smooth vinyl surface, a quality that makes it ideal for all people with allergies.

First maintenance

_ After installation, clean the floor with warm water and mild detergent.

Regular maintenance

_ Sweep the floor regularly to avoid a build-up of dust and grit to prevent scratching.

_ Use a damp floor cloth to remove local soiling.

_ A periodic application of an acrylic floor polish will help to maintain a rich lustre to the floor.

Stains

- Coffee, ketchup, mustard,... must be removed immediately otherwise a permanent stain may result.
- Always put felt or plastic gliders under heavy objects to avoid possible damage.
- Rubberbacked mats and rugs, certain types of rubber soiling can cause permanent discoloration to your Hide flooring. This is not a manufacturing defect.