

# **GatorFIT Turf Series** Installation Instructions

# **UPON DELIVERY OF PRODUCT**

- 1. <u>VERIFY</u> packing slip matches with product and order.
- <u>INSPECT</u> delivered product thoroughly. Report any discrepancies of original order, product defects, etc. No reimbursement/ warranty claim will be given for labor on material installed with visual defects. Any defects size, color, or otherwise must be reported to the place of purchase prior to installation.
- STORE product and adhesives in clean, dry environment with temperatures between 60 or 77°F (15-25°C).
- <u>**READ**</u> product and sub-floor preparation, instructions, warranty, and other disclaimers carefully and completely before beginning any installations.
- 5. **<u>REVIEW</u>** these important steps prior to installation:
  - All turf rolls must be unrolled completely and allowed to acclimatize for a minimum 48-72 hours prior to performing any cuts.
  - b) GatorFIT Turf is directional. Fibers must be running in the same direction to avoid giving the appearance of different colours of turf.
  - c) Perform all cuts from the backside of the turf.

# Warning:

<u>DO NOT</u> use GatorFIT Turf in conjunction with any petroleum-based products. This includes solvents, adhesives, or sealants. All substrates (especially new concrete) must be fully cured for 45 to 60 days prior to installing turf products. **INTRODUCTORY NOTE:** This installation guide is intended to provide the necessary information for the proper installation of Perfect Surfaces GatorFIT Turf. These instructions are believed to be based on industry standards and are provided for informational use only.

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# **RECOMMENDED TOOLS**

Measuring Tape or Ruler Utility Knife w/ Extra Blades 4' Straight Edge/ Drywall Square Chalk Line

# **OPTIONAL TOOLS**

Carpet Kicker

# ADHESIVE OPTIONS

GatorTAPE Turf Self Adhesive Seam Tape TruGLU



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## PREPARATION

#### Product

GatorFIT Turf should reach ambient room temperature to ensure a secure, tight installation with minimal size fluctuation. Each piece should be allowed to acclimatize for a full 48 hours prior to beginning installation. This allows the product to relax and size-stabilize at the typical room temperature. Inspect the product prior to installation for measurable defects or variations.

#### Sub-Surface

For best installation, any sub-surface should be reasonably flat and free of holes or variances of more that 1/8".

#### A. CONCRETE

New concrete must be allowed to cure thoroughly prior to installation (45 to 60 days). If sealants are used, <u>**DO NOT**</u> use one with a petroleum base. Old concrete must be repaired and have joint sealants and fillers installed as necessary. All cracks and flaws should be filled in or repaired prior to covering with turf. Use patching material as appropriate

#### B. WOOD BASE

Wood surfaces should be completely cleaned of dirt, dust, grease or any other foreign matter and be completely dry prior to installation. Trapped moisture may rot the wood or interfere with installation adhesives. Nails or other protrusions should be pounded down or removed, holes repaired, and surface variances within the 1/8" acceptable variance level.

#### C. ASPHALT

Asphalt requires the same preparation as concrete. However, due to variations in asphalt substrates, it is the user's responsibility to check the adhesion of the cured adhesive on typical test areas at the project **BEFORE** application.

## Installing GatorFIT Turf

Note: Due to the nature of the composition of the turf rolls, allowances must be made for the normal occurrence of expansion and contraction dimension change. Each roll must be unrolled completely and allowed to relax for a minimum of 48 hours at ambient room temperature, prior to following the below installation guidelines.

- 1. If multiple rolls of GatorFIT turf are being used for your project, ensure that each roll is running in the same direction. If your turf is not positioned with the fibers running the same direction, it will appear as if there are two different colours of turf.
- 2. Each roll may come with three to four inches of salvage material (cloth/foam on the edges of the turf). This can be removed by folding the turf approximately 4' and using a sharp utility knife to cut the salvage material.
- 3. If multiple pieces of turf are being installed, position the pieces exactly how they will lay in their permanent position. Adjust the pieces so they are laying tightly next to each other. Persuade the pieces of turf closer together by kicking towards the seam or by using a carpet kicker.
- 4. If air pockets present themselves, stand behind the bubble and take small steps forward the entire length of the turf, or until the bubble has dispersed.

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5. Excess material along the perimeter can be removed by making multiple marks on the backside of the turf, folding, and double-checking that the marks will lay precisely as desired. Once confident the marks are accurate, use a chalk line, straight-edge, and sharp utility knife to remove excess material.





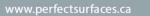


- 6. If seams are to be adhered, fold the seams open so that the subsurface is exposed, similar to opening a book. Apply either GatorTAPE, Turf Self Adhesive Seam Tape or TruGLU directly down the middle of the exposed seam area. It is recommended that two people unfold the turf onto the adhesive to prevent the turf from touching the adhesive all at once. Starting at one end, one person will slowly feed the turf to the other, who will pull the turf tightly, butting the turf together and then lightly pressing the turf onto the adhesive while moving down the seam. Do not overlap the turf.
- 7. After allowing the turf to acclimatize for at least 48 hours, it is recommended but not required to tape the entire perimeter.

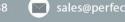
# **Cleaning and Maintenance**

- A regular routine maintenance program will enhance the appearance and performance of GatorFIT Turf. •
- GatorFIT Turf can be swept, vacuumed, or machine scrubbed to ensure a clean and long-lasting surface.
- Use Neutral pH Cleaner & Degreaser for a more extensive cleaning. Please ask your sales representative for recommended cleaning agents.











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# **Product Warranty**

## This is a 5-year limited warranty.

Perfect Surfaces warrants that GatorFIT Turf will be free from defects in material and workmanship subsequent to the Initial Warranty Period and up to five (5) years from the date of original purchase. Original receipt must accompany warranty claim. Abnormal use and/or abuse specifically nullify the warranty on the flooring. This warranty applies only to materials only and does not include any other cost, such as delivery, installation, removal, or labour costs. This warranty is not transferrable.

# **Warranty Exclusions**

This warranty does not cover product failure caused by:

- Improper installation or maintenance (see installation, care and maintenance instructions) including, but not limited to, the product being installed on top of improper sub- surface preparation or improper adhesive use.
- Improper disassembly (based on instructions that provide proper disassembly procedure).
- An act of negligence, abuse, accident, misuse, including, but not limited to vandalism, civil disobedience, act of crime, act of war and the like.
- Acids, caustic materials or petroleum chemicals and the like, direct or airborne.
- Fading due to sunlight (outdoor exposure, abrasions, and ultra-violet rays may cause normal change in the surface color and is not considered a defect under this warranty).
- Shading (colour variation) of individual pieces due to natural rubber variations.
- Colour variation between samples and/or printed illustrations and actual product.
- Repairs, alterations or modifications made to the surfaces without prior consultation, consent or authorization from Perfect Surfaces.
- Damage due to the occurrence of a natural disaster including, but not limited to, flooding, earthquakes, tornadoes, hurricanes, etc.
- Normal wear over time.

# **Liability Limitations**

The liability of Perfect Surfaces for damages resulting from the use or misuse of the product shall in no event exceed the replacement cost of the product, FOB destination warehouse. In no event will Perfect Surfaces be liable to the original purchaser or any third party for damages, including any lost profits, lost savings, or other consequential or incidental damages arising out of the use or inability to use the product even if Perfect Surfaces and its representatives have been advised of the possibility of these damages.

If an installation is confirmed to have a legitimate warranty claim it is the responsibility of the manager(s) of the facility to secure the site and prevent its use until repairs are made and the site is returned to standard. Perfect Surfaces will not be liable for any injuries, incidents or damages that occur on a warranty claim site prior to the site being remedied.

Some jurisdictions do not allow the limitation of liability for incidental or consequential damages so the above may not apply.

Disclaimer: Recycled rubber, as with any recycled product, can vary. Tolerances in thickness and width have been made as stringent as possible, but some variance is to be expected. Rubber's nature is to expand and contract with changes in temperature and humidity. Perfect Surfaces GatorFIT Turf is not to be used in any manner or for purpose not expressly identified by Perfect Surfaces Ltd.

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