

VersaRUBBER® Elite Plank

Installation Instructions

UPON DELIVERY OF PRODUCT

- 1. VERIFY packing slip matches with product and order quantities.
- 2. **INSPECT** the delivered product thoroughly. Report any discrepancies of original order, product defects, damages, etc. within 24 hours. Perfect Surfaces will not provide reimbursement or warranty claims for labour on material installed with visual defects. Any defects (size, colour, or otherwise) must be reported by the customer to the place of purchase prior to installation.
- 3. **STORE** product and adhesives in a clean, dry environment with temperatures between 65 or 77 °F (18-25 °C) for a full 24 hours prior to installation.
- 4. **READ** product and sub-floor preparation, instructions, warranty and other disclaimers carefully and completely before beginning any installations.
- 5. **REVIEW** these important steps prior to installation:
 - 5.1. VersaRUBBER® Elite planks have a directional grain pattern. Be mindful of the grain pattern and lay the planks in the same direction.
 - 5.2. The end joint layout for all planks should be random make sure joints are not evenly spaced ("stair stepped"). Random joints strengthen the integrity of the joint system.
 - 5.3. Install the planks in a random wood strip pattern (parallel or diagonally to walls), offsetting the planks joints at least 1/3 to 1/2 of the plank.
 - 5.4. Full-spread adhesion is recommended. Always dry-fit the room prior to applying adhesive to ensure accuracy.
 - 5.5. After trowelling glue, using automotive tape on top of the planks to hold seams together is recommended. Tape can be removed after 24 hours.

△ WARNING:

<u>DO NOT</u> use vulcanized rubber products 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 rubber products.

INTRODUCTORY NOTE: This installation guide is intended to provide the necessary information for the proper installation of Perfect Surfaces rubber planks. 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
- Automotive Masking Tape
- Chalk Line or Laser
- 2x4 Wood Block
- Rubber Mallet

ADHESIVE OPTIONS

- TruGlu 2.0 Adhesive (for dry environments)
- FAS1 Adhesive (for humid/wet environments)

ADDITIONAL TOOLS FOR ADHESIVE INSTALLATION

- Rubber gloves
- Rags
- Square-Notch trowel 1/16"x1/16" (over porous substrate) Coverage: 100-150 ft 2 /gal or
- U-Notch Trowel 1/16"x1/32"x1/32" (over non-porous substrates) Coverage: 150-200 ft 2 / gal
- 50-100 lb Linoleum roller

ADHESIVE

Protect unopened containers from heat and direct sunshine. TruGlu must be stored at a temperature range of 65 to 77 °F (18-25 °C) for 72 hours before, during and after use. TruGlu has a shelf life of one year when stored at this temperature range.

- Wear gloves during application. TruGlu is difficult to remove from skin and clothing; if adhesive gets on skin, immediately wipe it off with a dry cloth.
- Do not dilute the adhesive in any way
- Do not apply on frozen surfaces or standing water.
- Avoid contact with water or alcohol before use and before complete cure.
- Do not use in area subject to hydrostatic head pressure.
- Do not use on wet, contaminated, or friable substrates.

CUTTING TIPS

- 1. When using a utility knife, be sure to keep the blades sharp to aid in the cut and help reduce the possibility of injury due to dull blades.
- 2. Use a metal or similar straight edge that is cut proof.
- 3. Holding the straight edge firmly in place, score the planks two or three times holding the blade at $90^{\circ}.*$
- 4. Make several more passes with the knife, working down the established cut, until the cut is complete.

*This process may be made easier by cutting the planks on a raised surface, such as the 2 x 4 wood block used during installation. Gravity will depress the cut edge down and away from the cut and will be less likely to catch the knife blade.

CURING TIMES

TruGlu 2.0 Adhesive

Tack Time: 15-30 minutes Light Traffic: 12 hours Normal Traffic: 24 hours Heavy Duty Traffic: 72 hours

FAS1 Adhesive

Tack Time: 0 minutes (Wet Set)

Light Traffic: 8 hours Heavy Duty Traffic: 24 hours

 It is the user's responsibility to check the adhesion of the cured adhesive on a typical test area at the project BEFORE application.

CLEANING

Sweep, sponge mop or vacuum rubber flooring for everyday maintenance.

Use CleanBreak Neutral pH Cleaner & Degreaser with a sponge mop and water for more extensive cleaning (available for purchase at perfectsurfaces.com).

DO NOT USE Petroleum based products to clean rubber.















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PREPARATION

Inspect the product prior to installation for measurable defects or variations.

ACCLIMATIZATION

Do not install the VersaRUBBER® Elite planks immediately after their delivery; the planks should reach ambient room temperature for at least 48 hours to ensure a secure, tight installation with minimal size fluctuation. This allows the product to relax and size-stabilize at the typical room temperature.

SUBFLOOR

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

- 1. All sub-surfaces should be structurally sound and fully cured for 45 to 60 days. Test the floor for vapour drive in accordance with anhydrous calcium chloride test. Vapor test should not exceed the industry standard of <3.0 lbs per 1,000 square feet in 24 hours.
- 2. Repair concrete and install joint sealants and fillers as necessary.
- Mechanical surface profiling is the preferred floor preparation method. It is the only acceptable preparation method where warranties are issued.
 - Acid etching is not recommended. Mechanically profile the floor to medium grit sandpaper texture. Remove curing and parting compounds and other surface hardeners and floor coatings in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

A. CONCRETE

New concrete must be allowed to cure thoroughly prior to installation (45 to 60 days). If sealants are used, **DO NOT** 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 rubber products. Use patching material as appropriate to no greater variances than 1/8".

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 and/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.

Adhesive Tips

- a) Gloves are strongly recommended during application, as the TruGlu adhesive may cause skin irritation. The adhesive should be applied thinly and evenly, using one of the trowels listed above. (TruGlu will cover 100 200 square feet per gallon.) Do not apply more adhesive than can be utilized within a 30 min window. In ideal temperatures there is approximately 30 mins of open time to apply the adhesive and maneuver the rubber planks onto the adhesive and position prior to curing onset.
- b) Dry fit the entire room to ensure all planks are compression-fit and no gaps are present, prior to applying any adhesive. Work one row at a time by removing the planks, applying the glue, then replacing each plank (as outlined in Step 3 above). If gaps present themselves, use an automotive masking tape to hold planks together while adhesive cures. (Do not use duct tape as it may leave residue on the surface when removed).
- After the first 60 mins have passed, and the adhesive has begun to set, thoroughly roll the first row of planks with a 50-100 lb carpet roller to assure bonding of the rubber to the adhesive. Be careful not to shift the roll outside of the chalk lines while rolling. Rolling should be done at 75 and 90 minutes after the initial placement of the plank onto the adhesive. Rolling should be done both widthwise and lengthwise. This will ensure maximum contact and ultimate bond.
- d) ADHESIVE CLEAN UP Before trowelling with TruGlu, cover the unused portions of the trowel with duct tape. After trowelling, tear off the tape before the material cures. Clean all tools and excess TruGlu immediately after use with mineral spirits. Use proper precautions when handling solvents. Cured adhesive can be removed by cutting with a mechanical tool. DO NOT allow mineral spirits to meet the finished product













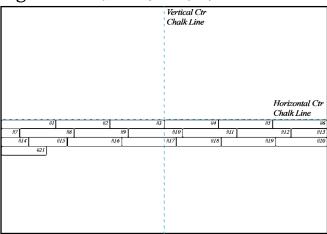




INSTALLATION - PARALLEL

- Assume the walls, and/or curbs are not perfectly straight or square. Begin by determining the absolute center of the area to be installed. Determine the horizontal center. Snap a chalk line. Determine the vertical center. Snap a chalk line. This will become the starting point.
- Place full planks along the Horizontal Center Line, while also ensuring that the planks are square to the Vertical Center Line (Figure 1). Maneuver the VersaRUBBER® Elite planks to lay precisely aligned within the chalk lines by tapping with a mallet and wood block. This will yield the most uniform and esthetically pleasing result. In order to achieve this in a space that is not perfectly square, work backwards from the center line to the wall. (e.g., Figure 1: Plank #3 would be the first plank placed, followed by #2, and so-on until plank #1, which will likely require a cut at the wall.)
- Continue in sequence until you have reached the opposite wall. When butting one plank up to the next, adjacent to or end-to-end, overlap joints by about 1/4". Then 'walk' or 'work' the joint back with your hands to eliminate overlap and avoid adhesive being shoved into seam areas. This will help ensure tight joints without gapping. If the rubber exceeds the floor space, use a straight edge and utility knife to trim the excess length. (see cutting tips)
- Begin laying the next row at one end of the room, adjacent to the first row, fine tuning placement with a 2x4 and mallet. To achieve the recommended 'random' wood plank pattern, it may be necessary to cut the first and last planks. (see cutting tips)

 $Figure \ 1$ Parallel layout, random joint wood plank pattern:

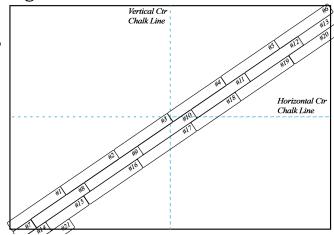


- Lowest installation cost.
- Least amount of waste.
- Good for open spaces and rectangular rooms.
- Most commonly lacks the element of uniqueness.

INSTALLATION - DIAGONAL

- Lay the planks diagonally, starting in one corner of the room or snap a line from corner to corner and maneuver the VersaRUBBER® Elite planks to lay precisely aligned within the chalk lines tapping with mallet and wood block. (Figure 2):
 - Makes small spaces appear larger.
 - Good for non-rectangular rooms.
 - Higher installation cost.
 - Non-traditional, unique patter.

 $Figure \ 2$ Diagonal layout, random joint wood plank pattern:



















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PRODUCT WARRANTY

This product carries a 5-year limited warranty. (special stipulations apply for use in equine facilities.)

Perfect Surfaces will promptly investigate the claim and will make the final determination, in its sole discretion, as to whether the claimed defect is covered under this warranty

Information and physical evidence will be required to process any claim.

Perfect Surfaces Inc. will replace the planks and credit the customer the following amounts based on current prices at the time of replacements: 0-3 years - 100%, more than 3 but less than 4 - 75%, more than 4 but less than 5 - 50%.

Perfect Surfaces warrants each segment of the system to be free from defects in material or workmanship and agrees to replace any segment (product supply only) which discloses such defects when used under normal conditions.

This remedy covers only replacement of the product, FOB destination warehouse. In the event of a Warranty Claim, contact your dealer.

This remedy is the sole and exclusive remedy available to the Original Purchaser for breach of express or implied representations or warranties with respect to the product.

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.
- An act of negligence, abuse, accident, misuse, including, but not limited to; vandalism, civil disobedience, act of crime, natural disaster, or the like occurs.
- Installation or issues caused by excessive moisture under VersaRUBBER® Elite planks or water migration through concrete, etc.
- The material is used in applications/ locations other than those for which it was designed.
- Normal wear over time.
- Heavy use areas (i.e., players' benches, penalty boxes, main access to ice surface or change rooms) pivot points and other high stress areas where excessive wear will occur because of the nature of use.
- Gradual changes in colour shading due to exposure to sunlight and/or climatic conditions.
- Difference in colour/shading/flecking variations with actual samples, printed illustrations and/or previously purchased VersaRUBBER® Elite planks.
- The sheet releases from the adhesive over time due to heavy vehicle (forklift) traffic.
- Acids, caustic materials or petroleum chemicals and the like, direct or airborne.
- Repairs, alterations or modifications made to the surfaces without prior consultation, consent or authorization from Perfect Surfaces.

Warranty will also be void in the case where:

- The Original Purchaser fails to comply with all terms and conditions stated herein.
- The Original Purchaser denies Perfect Surfaces and/or its representative access to the installed product and/or fails to cooperate in providing permission for
- The Original purchaser uses the product for any application other than the one it is intended for.
- Payment for the product has not been made in full.
- In the event of a Warranty Claim, proof of purchase from Perfect Surfaces or a qualified dealer is necessary for the Warranty to be valid.

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 rubber planks are not to be used in any manner or for purpose not expressly identified by Perfect Surfaces Ltd.













