

Installation Guide of Tack Strip

Carpet tack strips are narrow lengths of wood that are used to keep the carpet in place wall-to-wall. It is nailed and to you hardwood floors or concrete floors. The tack strip also keeps the carpet stretched and free of wrinkles.

Step 1: Before proceeding to the job, determine first the area you will install your carpet tack strip and the perimeter dimension. Identify the number of tack strips you need and determine the cuts of tack strips you need to make. Also, make sure that you clean the floor area of installation and removed all trim along the floor before installing. For users protection, safety glasses should always be worn when handling or installing tack strip.

Step 2: Take your tack strip then place it around the perimeter of the room. Make sure that the pins are pointing towards the wall. The gully, which is the space between the edge of the tack strip and the wall, is slightly less than the thickness of the carpet; not to exceed 3/8-inch.

Step 3: Install the tack strip to follow the exact contours of the walls. The tack strip must be cut to the proper lengths to accomplish this.

Step 4: Hammer in preinstalled nails to subfloor. A minimum of two (2) nails must be used to secure each section of tack strip to the floor.

Additional : The tack strip may be glued to certain types of flooring when nails are not an option, such as with radiant heated floors or drainage systems. Tack strip nails cannot be driven into conduit or tubing.