

Always Follow Flooring Manufacturer's Preparation and Installation Instructions



STEP 1: Wood Subfloor Preparation

Assure the subfloor is level, free of dust, debris, dry and mold-free. Remove all protruding objects like nails and repair all other defects in the subfloor to create a smooth even-leveled surface.



STEP 1: Concrete Subfloor Preparation

Assure subfloor is level, free of dust, debris, dry and mold-free. Remove all protruding objects like nails, repair all defects and fill holes, gaps and cracks to create a smooth even-leveled surface.

STEP 2: First Underlayment Lay Down

Start at corner of room and roll-out underlayment with the 6mil vapor barrier facing up towards the ceiling. Fold-out the underlayment roll, with the overlapping vapor barrier facing the inside of the room in preparation to lay the second underlayment roll. For wood subfloors, it is recommended that side of the underlayment without the overlap be 0.5 inches away from the wall. Installing the 6 mil film facing up helps protect the back-side of your flooring and helps to preserve the tongue and groove connections.



STEP 3: Subsequent Underlayment Lay Down

Lay the second underlayment alongside the first underlayment and butt the foam seams (non-overlapping vapor barrier) together. Allow the overlapping vapor barrier of the first underlayment to rest on top of the second adjoining underlayment.



STEP 4: Taping/Sealing Underlayment on All Concrete Subfloors

Using the peel and stick tape included, tape the overlapping vapor barrier film to the adjoining butted underlayment. Along with the tape sealing the length of the underlayment, you should also seal the adjoining ends/perimeter with duct tape to ensure moisture protection.



Taping/Sealing Underlayment on All Wood Subfloors

Taping underlayment to join the seams on subfloors is not recommended. The use of any tape to entirely join and seal the length and or width of an underlayment on wood subfloors may restrict needed air flow which can potentially create moisture and compromise the integrity of your flooring system.

Staples or nails can be used to secure underlayment to wood subfloors.
(Refer to Flooring Manufacturer's Guidelines.)



STEP 5: Install the Flooring

Install the flooring per manufacturer's instructions.

Radiant Floor Installation

Follow both radiant and wood flooring manufacturer's guidelines.

Glue Down Installation: ECF is not recommended for single or double glue down installation and such use will void warranty.