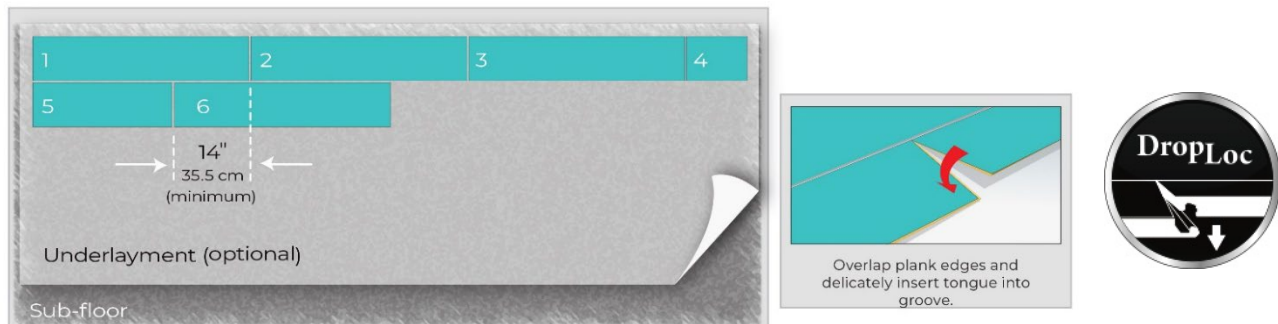




SPC FLOORING

INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS: DROP LOC



Important:

Please carefully verify the panels for any possible damage or deviation from standard dimensions before installation. Make sure planks match with the decorative design that you have selected. No complaints can be accepted in the case where panels have already been installed! In the event you notice visual defects in the panels STOP the installation immediately & contact our customer care department at 1-800-387-8953.

In order to carry out the installation work you will need:

- Underlayment (optional) * **If product purchased comes with attached pad, no extra underlayment needed.**
- Installation kit (spacers, pull-iron)
- Saw
- Rubber mallet
- Pencil
- Straight edge

Please use Quickstyle Industries' approved accessories. Under no circumstances may panels be glued, nailed, or otherwise fixed (e.g., door stopper) to the sub-floor.

The subfloor must be level, dry, clean, and firm. "High-spots" or "Depressions" on subfloor of more than 3mm must be sanded down or filled in with an appropriate filling compound.

For installation on sub-floor radiant heating, please comply with special instructions which you can obtain from the manufacturer of your radiant heating systems.

Before starting installation:

Conditions in the room must be between 50°F to 100°F (10°C to 37°C) before and during installation.

CONCRETE SUBFLOORS

SPC planks can be installed over concrete subfloors on all grade levels. A 6-mil polyurethane moisture barrier must be used with concrete subfloors. Moisture vapor emissions should not exceed 5 lbs./24 hour per 1,000 sq. ft. when tested with the Anhydrous Calcium Chloride Test in accordance with ASTM F 1869 or 80% RH in accordance with ASTM F 2170 “Standard Test Method for Determining Relative Humidity in Concrete

Slabs using in situ Probes.” Fill cracks; saw cuts and control joints and level uneven areas that exceed 3/16” in 10’. Do not install flooring over expansion joints

WOOD SUBFLOORS

SPC planks can be installed over wood subfloors that meet certain structural requirements. For double-layer wood subfloors, the total thickness must be at least 1 inch. Single-layer subfloors should be constructed using APA-rated Sturd-I-Floor panels with a minimum thickness of 23/32 inch. Joist spacing must not exceed 19.2 inches.

Fasteners should be driven slightly below the surface of the subfloor, approximately 1/32 inch. All seams should be sanded smooth, and any holes or gaps wider than 1/8 inch should be properly filled. If needed, install an appropriate wood underlayment to create a smooth, stable surface.

For installations over crawl spaces, a moisture barrier must be in place beneath the subfloor, with a minimum ground clearance of 18 inches. The crawl space should be dry, properly ventilated, and compliant with all applicable local building codes.

Installation:

Begin laying planks from the left side of the starting wall and work to the right side. The tongue of the plank should face the starting wall.

Note: For added strength, apply glue to the short side of the first and last rows. For intense traffic areas, it is recommended to apply Quickstyle glue to all short sides.

Place 3/8” (9.5mm) spacers between the short and long side of the planks and the wall. Always position one spacer between the wall and where the planks join.

The end joints of the planks in the first row are assembled by overlapping the tongue side over the groove side of the previous plank ensuring that the planks are perfectly aligned, with firm pressure; push the end joint downward till the end of the plank snaps in place. Install remaining full planks in the first row.

To complete the first row, measure the distance between the wall and the surface of the last full plank and subtract 3/8” (9.5mm) from this measurement and install in place and apply the spacer to keep flooring in place during installation. The cut-off piece from the last plank in the first row may serve as the first plank starter in the second row provided this cut-off piece is 14” (35cm) in length. Always stagger planks during installation by minimum 14” (35 cm).

Install the long side of the first plank of the second row. Place a 1/4” (6.35mm) spacer between the wall and the short side of the first plank. Insert the tongue side into the groove side of the previous row at a low angle and lower flat to the substrate.

Install the second plank of the second row. Position the long side of the plank with the tongue side, fully engage into the receiver of the first row of product. Lower the plank to the floor insuring that the end joint is overlapping and perfectly aligned, with firm pressure; push the end joint downward till the end of the plank snaps in place. Continue installing planks, in the second row. It is important to make sure that the first two rows are straight and square as they can affect the entire installation.

Continue working from left to right, row by row. Be sure to maintain a 1/4" (6.35mm) space around all walls and vertical objects and maintain a random appearance. Remember to offset end joints a minimum of 14" (35cm).

Note: While installing a floating floor Quickstyle recommends maintaining uniform "expansion gaps" around the perimeter of the floor or at any vertical obstruction. It is also recommended placing a transition molding when required thus allowing for transitional expansion preserves the structural integrity of the floating floor.

If the wall is not straight:

Place the first row against the wall, using a spacer and pencil; transfer (mark) the contour of the wall onto the panels. Saw along the markings. Note: the first row of panels must be cut longitudinally if the final row of panels is going to be narrower than 2" (5cm).

Please take particular care to ensure that the first two rows are perfectly straight.

In tight spaces:

Use pull-iron and hammer to ensure planks are properly locked. Note: Never directly hammer planks as it will damage flooring.

To finish:

On the last row you may have to cut along the length of the planks to make them fit in the remaining space (with the aid of the pull- iron and hammer). Finished!

Maintenance: Care - Cleaning – Climate & Humidity Control

Lay dirt-absorbing mats in high traffic areas, (such as entrance halls and hallways). Apply felt pads underneath furniture. For office chairs, use a chair mat to protect the floor.

Simply clean your Quickstyle Floating floor with a soft broom, a lightly dampened mop or a vacuum cleaner. Wipe off footmarks and dirt with a wrung-out (slightly dampened), cloth. Do not attempt to clean your Quickstyle Floating floor with wax, polish, or scouring materials. Stubborn stains can be removed with an approved floor cleaner.

The installation must be carried out at an ambient temperature between 18°C and 29°C (64°F and 84°F) before and during installation. Ambient relative humidity must be between 35% and 55%.

Susceptible to temperature changes in its ambient environment, expansion and contraction is a fact of life. Extreme climate fluctuations indoors may cause slight deformation within the panels and minor separations between the joints of the floor.

Avoid direct ultraviolet (UV) exposure / sunlight for prolonged periods of time (especially during peak sun hours) as this may damage your floor

Use UV protective film, blinds, shades, shutters or curtains to assure that the flooring is protected from sun (UV) and is not overheated due to this exposure.

(Failure to protect flooring voids all warranties, express or implied and releases Quickstyle Industries from any claims, damages, or liabilities which may arise).

It is vital to ensure that radiant heating systems are kept to a temperature that will not heat the floor above 29.4°C (85°F) (please comply with special instructions which you can obtain from your radiant heating systems retail.

