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COMMERCIAL CARPETS

Guidelines for commercial installations

1. All aspects of the installation should be undertaken in accordance with the requirements laid out in British Standard Code of Practice BS5325.

2. In particular, attention should be paid to:
 - Subfloors should be sound, dry and free from contaminants and with a temperature of at least 10° C

 - General room temperature should be a minimum of 18° C

 - The carpet should be rolled out and allowed to acclimatise for 24 hours in a minimum room temperature of 18° C prior to installation.

 - For common areas in excess of 25 sq mts the carpet should be installed using either a direct stick or a double stick method. Appropriate and tested underlays for double stick methods are Interfloor Technics 5, Technics 6, Durafit 500 or Durafit 650. Similar underlays such as Olympic 5 or Olympic 6.5 are also suitable provided that they are approved by the manufacturer.

 - Adhesives and tackifiers should be applied strictly in accordance with the manufacturers instructions. Recommended adhesives are F Ball & Co Styccobond F40 Tackifier and Styccobond F3 Adhesive. Please pay particular attention to trowel notch size, particularly for Unitary backed carpets, and open times relating to individual backing type. It is usually recommended to use a 3mm x 6mm 'V' notched trowel. Please refer to the F.Ball data sheet for Styccobond F3 adhesive. Attention should also be paid to the recommendations for gliding or rolling of the underlay and carpet following application of the adhesives.

- The carpet should be laid preferably with the pile lay towards the entrance but also with reference to the longer walls or installation edges.

For loop pile products

- All joins to be cut with a loop pile cutter or by carpet shears/scissors. The preferred method for a carpet with a Unitary latex backing is cutting by shears/scissors. The carpet can be either creased and cut carefully between rows or alternatively remove a waste row adjacent to the row to be joined and then cut off the waste. Given the nature of the manufacturing process it is not possible to guarantee a perfectly straight carpet edge i.e. some linear pattern distortion may be inevitable. If this occurs then some slight adjustment to the edge trimming for joining may be necessary.

For all products

- All cut edges prepared for seaming should be sealed using a synthetic rubber/resin adhesive such as F Ball & Co Styccobond F30. Apply a bead of seam sealer/adhesive to the edge of the first piece and adjust the second piece into the first under compression in accordance with the manufacturers instructions.

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