



# CORK FINISHING AND CHIPBOARD PANELS





# WARNING

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The following recommendations are imperative:

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- 2. Take great care in the vicinity of electrical and telephone distribution systems.
- 3. Do not use pumice, glass paper, metal flakes, various abrasives.
- 4. Avoid the use of waxes or surface treatments if not provided for in the maintenance sheet.

# TECHNICAL MATS

It is always advisable to install anti-dirt barriers in access areas, taking care to place barriers designed to stop grit on the outside; barriers to stop sand in the inner lobby, and foot mats (textile) to stop water and dust on the inside. With these systems it is possible to stop up to 85-90% of dirt and deteriorating agents, saving on maintenance/cleaning costs and above all extending the useful life of the flooring.



# FIRST CLEANING AFTER INSTALLATION

Before washing, remove coarse dirt and only after that vacuum the floor with an industrial vacuum cleaner. Remove all dust carefully, taking care to persevere particularly between panel joints.

Wipe the flooring with a damp MOP, taking care to change the water very frequently to remove dust and dirt residues from the surface of the flooring, and wring out the MOP well to avoid water deposits on the surface of the flooring, but especially between panel joints.



## **REGULAR MAINTENANCE**

The floor must be vacuumed/brushed and wiped every day with a pre-soaked microfibre cloth or a damp MOP (well wrung out) and neutral detergent, always taking care to spray on the floor and being particularly careful to avoid any leakage of liquid between the panel joints. Change the wash water frequently.

# TREATMENT OF STUBBORN STAINS

Quickly remove substances that may damage the floor surface. Any stubborn stains must be removed with the aid of a neutral PH detergent, which must be gently rubbed with a microfibre pad. It is always advisable to perform a preliminary test on a limited area of the raised floor, hidden if possible.

N.B.: Standing and rolling rubber products on the surface of the flooring generates the phenomenon of carbon black transmigration, indelibly staining the floor. Do not use solvents. Check that chairs, tables and furniture in general do not have sharp or pointed feet. We recommend the use of protective felt pads or soft PVC protections applied to the feet of furniture. Always check that the types of chair wheels used are compatible with the covering.



# RECOMMENDED PRODUCTS



## CLEANER PRO (pH neutral) - Application: routine maintenance after installation.

DAILY CLEANING: dilute CLEANER PRO 1:200 (25 ml in 5 litres of water). The solution should be spread with a pre-soaked microfibre cloth or a damp MOP (well wrung out). Take special care not to allow the liquid to filter into/onto edges or joints that could be damaged. No need to rinse. The solution can also be used by spraying it on the floor and then wiping it with a microfibre cloth.

MORESTUBBORN DIRT: wash with more concentrated solutions of CLEANER PRO (up to 1:30, i.e. 100 ml in 3L of water): spread the solution with a pre-soaked microfibre cloth (or a well-wrung damp MOP), rub and collect any residue. Rinse with clean water (spraying it or using a microfibre cloth or damp MOP), taking care to remove any liquid from the panel. Avoid any infiltration of water on the panel joints



# CLEAN&SHINE (pH neutral)

Application: routine maintenance, ready to use.

Spray on the surface, holding the bottle in a vertical position about 20-30 cm from the point of application. Clean with a soft, dry cloth.

# \*\*\*as alternative to CLEANER PRO\*\*\* SANIFAST (pH neutral + sanitation)



Application: routine maintenance and sanitation.

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## MAINTENANCE



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In fairly large areas a single-brush machine at medium speed and a brush-mop disc can be used, always taking care to spray on the floor and being particularly careful to avoid any leakage of liquid between the panel joints



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# LOOSE-LAY CORK

#### IMPORTANT

• Make sure all specifications and instructions are followed carefully.

• Contact your NESITE representative if you are unsure about any part of the installation.

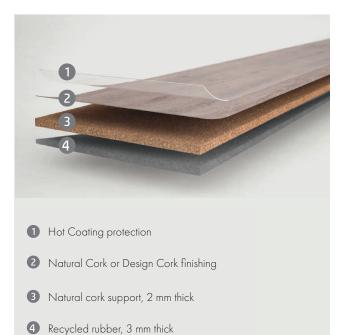
- This information is subject to change due to continuous improvement.
- Store the boxes in small neat piles (max. 5 boxes high).

 $\bullet$  Let the flooring acclimatise for at least 24h before laying at room temperature (minimum 15°c).

• The subfloor must be flat, level, clean, without marks (no felt pen, marker, etc.), sound, dry, solid, hard, smooth and not exposed to moisture. Absorbency must be checked and adjusted to have moderately absorbent subfloor.

• Use only adhesives recommended by NESITE. Always follow the adhesive manufacturer's instructions.

• The work must be completed with an inspection: ensure that the newly laid floor is free from adhesive residues.



#### SUBFLOOR

The preparation of the subfloor and installation procedures should all be in accordance with the current relevant Standard within the country of use. The dryness of a solid subfloor should be below the maximum moisture level permitted when tested in accordance with that Standard.

Before selecting a smoothing compound, check what type of traffic the floorcovering will be subjected to once installed. Latex smoothing compounds are not suitable for areas that will receive heavy traffic, especially heavy, narrow wheeled traffic (see EN 12529, Castors and wheels). Check levelling compound compatibility, and follow the instructions of the levelling compound manufacturer.

**Note:** exclusion of liability (adhesives, levelling compounds, etc.) Although NESITE provides a list of recommended adhesives, it does not guarantee for their use.

NESITE will accept no liability for any of these products failing to perform in conjunction with any of its products.

It is the responsibility of the adhesive, levelling compound and surface damp-proof membrane manufacturer and flooring contractor to

ensure the products being used are appropriate for use and applied in accordance with the manufacturers' recommendations.

# UNDERFLOOR HEATING

It is imperative that underfloor heating systems have been previously commissioned and found to be functioning correctly before installation of the floorcovering.

Ensure that the underfloor heating system is switched off 48 hours before installation of the floorcovering commences, and remains off for at least 48 hours after installation is completed. While the underfloor heating system is off, an alternative heating source should be provided, if required, to ensure that the installation area is kept at a constant temperature of 18- 27°C.

Gradually increase the temperature over a number of days by only a few degrees per day until the desired room temperature is reached. The temperature should never exceed the floorcovering industry's agreed maximum of 27 °C on the underside of the floorcovering.

## MAINTENANCE



#### INSTALLATION

It is important to store the tiles for at least 24 hours before installation at a minimum room temperature of 15°C. This temperature should be maintained throughout the installation. The minimum temperature of the subfloor should be about 10-12°C and room temperature 15°C. The recommended relative humidity inside the room should be 35-65%. These conditions must be maintained during the entire laying time.

After the site survey, when it is required, a laying plan is established, which is the layout of the future pattern of the floor tile laying. This, in agreement with the customer, serves to optimise the work, compatibly with aesthetic requirements.

The layout of the tiles should only be carried out when all installations and interior room finishes have been completed, with the exception of the installation of movable walls.

Tracing is carried out using main axes: within each room, the two orthogonal lines are traced from which any consideration of the "step" of the tiles must start.

Installation with adhesive: Panels must be stored inside their own boxes in small stacks (max. 5 boxes).

Be sure to apply sufficient quantity to ensure proper adhesion, do not overdo the product to avoid permanent bonding or detachment of the backing when removing the tile.

Install the plates firmly next to each other. Use a roller to ensure proper fixing.

If there are absorbent substrates, apply a suitable primer to adjust the absorbency. By doing so, the removable adhesive will retain all its sealing properties.

Caution: If the adhesive is applied on a substrate that is not perfectly dry, the adhesion becomes permanent. Refer to the manufacturer's data sheets for proper application and performance. (MAPEI ULTRABOND ECO TACK 4 LVT - KERAKOLL TACK).

With the help of a stave positioned along the line which has just been traced, lay the first row of tiles, paying attention to the direction of the cladding. Immediately after the first two rows have been laid, lay the second two in steps until the central area of the room has been completed, leaving the perimeters to be cut last (leave about 5-10 mm free behind the wall). In the case of rectangular panels, we recommend laying the tiles alternately.



#### AFTER INSTALLATION

Wait 48 to 72 hours before allowing any foot traffic or moving in furniture. Once the laying work is completed, it is necessary to clean all the flooring with an industrial vacuum cleaner.

## PROTECTION

If building work is carried out after installation, the floor should always be protected by covering it with hardboard or plywood sheeting.

Masking tape must not be stuck directly to the floor. Never subject a newly installed floorcovering to heavy wheeled traffic at an early stage, as this will force adhesive from beneath the floorcovering.

#### CLEANING AND CARE

The lifetime of the floor depends on its cleaning and care. According to use, periodic maintenance should be performed. Use suitable products for regular cleaning (e.g. FILA CLEANER PRO pH neutral). For routine cleaning, dry mopping with a well-wrung damp mop is recommended.

Do not pour water, liquid detergents or vapors directly on the flooring. A technical mat is recommended in the access area. The floor should be protected with the use of felt pads matching the legs of tables or chairs.