

PRO-VIVA KLIK SYSTEM- LVT/P (LUXURY VINYL TILE / PLANKS)

FLOORING INSTALLATION GUIDELINES

Main Con / Installer / Owner Responsibilities:

- 1. To begin with , please read through the preparation and laying instructions to ensure validity of product warranty.
- 2. Check the boxes tally as per order before starting installation. Once the floor is installed, it is deemed to have been inspected, approved and accepted. The responsibility is of the Installer.
- 3. It is the sole responsibility of the installer/owner, prior to installation, ensure local building codes are adhered to and subflooring requirements are met.

NOTE: Product is rated for indoor use only within the required temperature range, do not install outdoors.

Getting Started

- 1. Trained Installers are awarded the project for installation with necessary local safety level clearance.
- 2. Get ready with the tools required for installation to begin with Safety glasses, utility knife, straight edge, chalk-line, tape measure, pry-bar, saw, spacers.
- 3. Boxes of LVT must be set to acclimatize for a minimum of 48 hours at the installation site. We recommend you leave the products in their original packaging (straps left on each carton) until time of installation at a temperature (20°C to 25°C) in the area in which the flooring will be installed. Protect flooring from excessive heat/cold during storage.
- 4. Subfloor Requirements: All sub-floors must be clean, flat (smooth) and dry prior to installation, regardless of installation method. Floors installed over non-flat subfloors may squeak and/or deflect when walked on. Sweep or vacuum your subfloor immediately prior to installation ensuring there is no debris or grit, as it may interfere with installation.
 - a> Wooden subfloors: Recommended ¾" CDX plywood, OSB or boards must be flat, high or low areas exceeding 3/16" per 10' (5mm per 3m) or 1/8" per 6' (3mm per 2m) must be corrected. Sand down high areas, fill low areas. Nail or screw down any loose areas and replace any damaged sheathing (damaged, swollen or delaminating).
 - b> Concrete: most concrete subfloors (slabs) are not flat (smooth) and must be levelled before installation. In all cases, verify the subfloor using a 10' long straightedge to locate high and low areas, low areas should be filled with a self-levelling compound. The moisture content of the concrete subfloor should not exceed 5%.
 - c> Bare Metal Raised floors highly recommend to use underlay on a level raised floor, for the installation for better sound absorption and grip on the base metal.
- 5. Underlay: If you wish to use an underlayment, use only underlayment designed for LVT/LVP click flooring with a maximum thickness of 1 mm (1/25"). In above grade areas you can alternatively use 3mm or 6mm (1/8" or 1/4") cork. The use of any other underlay will void your floor's warranty.



- 6. Do not install LVT/LVP flooring over soft, rough, non-flat or uneven surfaces. General Tips:
 - If you install your new LVT/LVP flooring over an existing ceramic tiled floor, you will need to skim coat the grout lines with a floor levelling compound.
 - It is always recommended to draw panels from a minimum of 3 different boxes during installation to assure an even distribution of any minor color variations and slight differences in embossing levels.
 - Verify locking profile prior to installing, checking for debris or damage.

PRO-VIVA KLIK- GENERAL INSTALLATION INFORMATION:

- Prepare a good stable sub floor for click floating installation, follow the directives noted above regarding sub-floor preparation.
- Floating installations may be made over most subfloors including: Plywood or OSB, ceramic/porcelain tile, smooth stone, marble, granite, and linoleum. Do NOT install over carpet.
- Using a chalk-line, carefully snap a line between these two points. Check to make sure there will be approximately 1/4" (6mm) between the edge of your first row of panels and the wall. This space allows for slight expansion of the LVT/LVP flooring and will be covered by the baseboard / quarter-round.
- Working from left to right, layout first row of panels, the short tongue should be facing the wall.
- First panel should start 1/4" (6mm) from the wall. Cut the last panel to finish 1/4" (6mm) from opposite wall. We recommend you use temporary shims to keep the floor away from the walls, as the floor will shift during installation due to it being a floating floor. Place the shims every 2-3' (60-90 cm) along the starting wall, plus at the end of each of the starting rows so panels do not shift when set into place.
- Assemble the end joints by inserting the tongue on the short side of the panel at an angle of approx. 25 degrees, and lower it into place. Continue in this manner until the first row is complete.
- To start the second row, use the remainder of the last panel of the first row if it is longer than 30cm (12") long, otherwise, cut a new panel in half and proceed. To ensure structural integrity of your floor, it is mandatory to ALWAYS STAGGER THE END JOINTS FROM ROW TO ROW BY AT LEAST 20cm (8").
- The preferred installation method is to assemble the end joints of the second row completely from left to right. Then, angle the tongue on the entire length of the second row into the groove on the long side of the panels of the first row.
- An alternative method of installation: Install one panel at a time, from left to right. Using a sacrificial cut piece with the profile that locks into the right end of the panel, gently tap on the sacrificial cut piece until the ends of the panels lock together and repeat for rest of row. Do NOT use too much force when tapping the panels together, as this may damage the locking profile. For final board in row, use a prybar to pull it tight and lock the end profiles. Do NOT strike directly on the locking profile to tap the panels together, as this may damage the locking profile.



- In the case where you are unable to angle panels (eg. under a doorframe or radiator), you can cut away the locking edge of the lip of the bottom groove by using a utility knife. Run a bead of LVT/LVP Seam Sealer on the now modified tongue and groove. Tighten the panels gently with the use of a pull bar and a hammer.
- If a doorframe must be undercut, lay a panel of flooring next to the doorframe with the patterned side facing down. Undercut the doorjamb with a saw, then slide the flooring panel under the doorjamb with the decorative pattern facing upwards. Please note that the floor must be allowed to expand under the doorjamb and recommended expansion gap must be respected.
- Ensure there is a minimum 1/4" (6mm) gap around the entire floor perimeter and any obstacles. Measure and cut the last panels to fit so that there is a minimum 1/4" (6mm) gap along the last wall.
- Remove all temporary shims, sweep & vacuum immediately.
- Note: You must use a "T" molding transition strip between rooms. Failure to do so may cause damage to the floor and will void the warranty.

Finishing Details and Maintenance:

- General cleaning: It is recommended that you sweep & vacuum the area immediately after installation to remove potential damaging grit and debris. A further cleaning with an approved pre-finished floor cleaner is also recommended, as required. Do not wax or use cleaning products that contain surfactants.
- Never steam clean the floor.
- Baseboards and quarter rounds: Replace or install new matching baseboards and quarter rounds in all areas. Baseboards are to be nailed into the wall and quarter rounds into the baseboards. DO NOT nail either of these into the LVT/LVP flooring.
- Transition pieces: If you have removed any transition pieces and not covered their place with LVT/LVP flooring, reinstall them immediately.
- Furniture & appliances: If you are moving and placing furniture and appliances in areas with LVT/LVP floors, cover all feet and floor contact points with heavy selfadhesive felt pads to protect the floor. Lift heavy objects when moving (furniture or appliance) DO NOT roll or slide them across the floor.
- We recommend that areas with "rolling loads" (wheelchairs, hospital beds, carts, racks, tables, etc.) should be glued down with an LVT/LVP firm set adhesive.
- Felt pads on chair legs should be replaced periodically, as they wear and accumulate grit with use and can damage the floor.
- Outdoor footwear, hard soled shoes and stiletto type heels should not be worn when walking on your LVT/LVP floor, as they may mark, abrade or otherwise damage the surface and finish of your floor.
- Keep pet nails trimmed, especially dogs, as they may damage the floor.
- Toilet training accidents should be cleaned immediately. Do not keep litter boxes or food/water dishes directly on the flooring.