
Here's How to Install SPC Flooring

Step #1: Measure the Room

Start by measuring the entire room, including any closets; this will help determine how much flooring you need to purchase. Be sure to measure the length and width of each space carefully.

Step #2: Remove Existing Baseboards

It's recommended that any existing baseboards be removed to achieve a clean, polished look. This step will allow the new flooring to sit flush against the walls.

Step #3: Prepare the Subfloor

Before installation, ensure that the surface is level, clean, and dry; this is crucial for the flooring to be installed correctly and to prevent future issues.

Tip: Allow the new flooring to acclimate to the room's temperature and humidity for at least 48 hours before installation.

Step #4: Plan the Flooring Layout

Decide which direction you want the planks to run.

Tip: It is generally recommended that the flooring be parallel to the room's longest wall for a more natural and spacious look.

Step #5: Open Multiple Cartons of Flooring

Open several cartons of planks simultaneously to ensure a consistent look and appearance.

Tip: Mixing planks from different cartons will help avoid noticeable colour or pattern inconsistencies.

Step #6: Begin Laying the First Row

Start laying your first row from left to right. Place the first plank with the grooved edge facing you and use spacers between the wall and the plank to leave room for expansion.

Step #7: Lock the Second Plank

Place the second plank end-to-end with the first, ensuring the edges lock together. Gently fold the plank down to make sure it's seated correctly. Continue this process across the entire row, ensuring each plank is properly closed.

Step #8: Measure the Final Plank in the First Row

Measure the length of the last plank in the first row carefully. If necessary, leave a small gap between the plank and the wall to allow for expansion. Cut the plank to fit.



Step #9: Cutting the Planks

To cut planks, use a sharp utility knife and a square to score the plank firmly along the cut line. If you need to cut holes or corners, use a jigsaw or multi-tool to make precise cuts.

Step #10: Check Straightness

After laying down a few rows, check the straightness of the planks using a string line or laser level. If the planks appear crooked, you may need to re-trim and adjust the first row to keep the installation straight.

Step #11: Install the Final Row

Measure and cut each plank for the final row to fit the remaining space. Cut along the marked line to achieve the correct width. Once the planks are in place, remove all spacers.

Step #12: Reinstall the Baseboard

After installing the flooring, reinstall the baseboard to cover the expansion gap between the floor and the wall, giving the room a finished look.

Step #13: Use T-Molding for Transitions

If your SPC flooring meets another type, use T-molding to cover the exposed edges and create a smooth transition between the two surfaces.

With the installation complete, take a moment to admire your hard work. You can now enjoy your beautiful new SPC flooring for years to come!

Following these simple steps, you can quickly and cost-effectively install SPC flooring yourself. Happy flooring!



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