

Installation Instructions

Instructions on how to lay, cut and finish your flooring

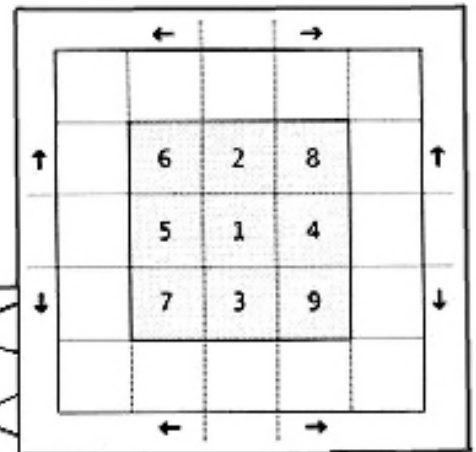
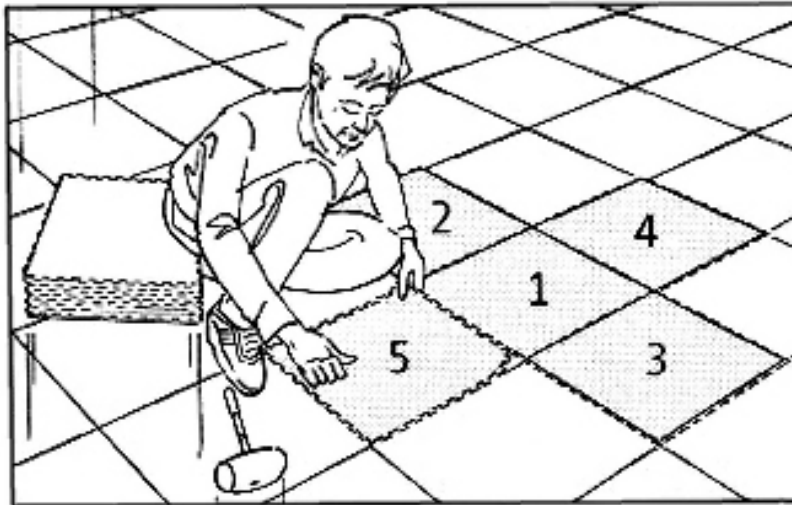
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Preparations:

Ecotile can be installed over any hard surface and in most situations will not require gluing. The only situations where we recommend gluing are where the tiles will be located in direct sunlight (i.e. south facing loading bay) or there will be very heavy traffic movements combined with tight turning circles.

If the installation is to take place when the temperature is cold (below 15°C) it is essential that the tiles are allowed to acclimatize for a minimum of 12 hours. If possible installation should be undertaken at a temperature of 18°C+.

A 5mm expansion gap must be left between the tiles and any fixed point to allow expansion and contraction of the tiles when changes in temperature occur.

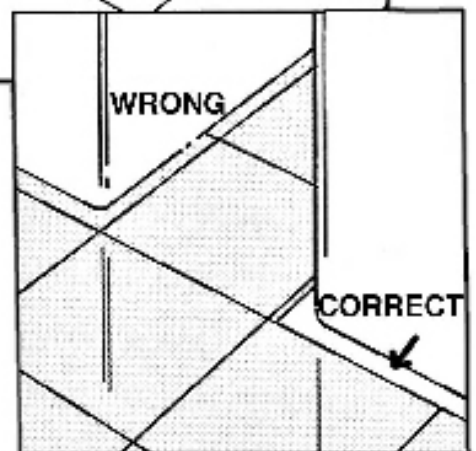


Working Method:

Start installation of the tiles from the middle, working outward towards the sides. This will ensure even distribution of the weight and surface tension of the tiles. The tiles can be connected with a rubber mallet or engineering hammer

Finishing and Edges

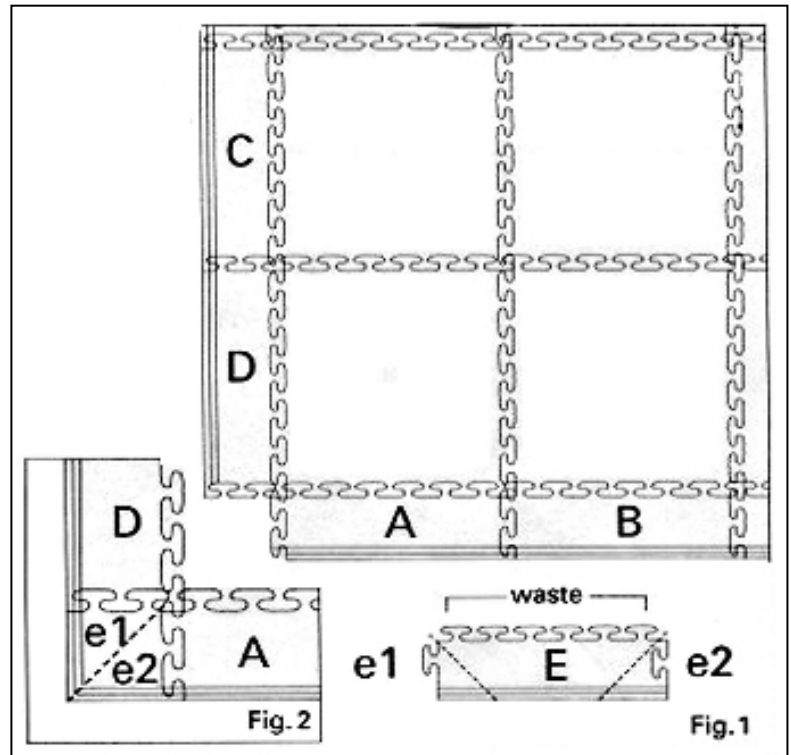
When all full size tiles are laid it is advisable to wait 24hrs before cutting the edge sections. This will allow the tiles to settle and expand fully. Remember to leave a 5mm expansion gap between the tiles and any fixed points (walls, machines etc.) To get the best results when cutting use a table saw, guillotine or jigsaw. We recommend finishing the 5 mm expansion gap between the tiles and the walls with either a bead of silicon mastic or a sit on skirting profile such as Gradus SO100



Ramps and Corners

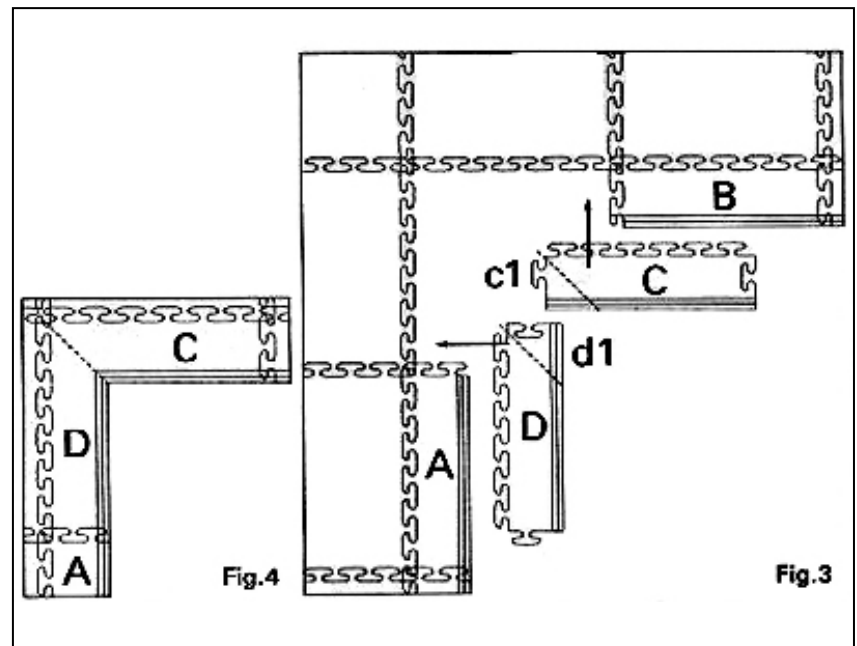
Making an external corner

1. Lay all complete ramps (fig.1) A, B, C, D. Until only the corner remains to be completed.
2. Using the spare ramp E. Cut the triangle e2 off E following the marking on the underside of the ramp. Do the same for triangle e1.
3. Discard the remainder of ramp E
4. Lay e2 next to ramp A and e1 next to ramp D (fig 2). This will complete your external corner.



Making an internal corner

1. Lay all complete ramps (fig.3) A, B, Until only the corner remains to be completed.
2. Take ramp C, cut off triangle c1 following the markings on the underside Repeat the instructions for ramp D cutting off triangle d1.
3. Discard the corners c1 and d1.
4. Connect ramp D to ramp A and ramp C to ramp B (fig 4). This will complete your internal corner



Accessories and Finishing Profiles

1. If required the tiles can be sealed using a polyurethane floor sealer (please refer to our cleaning and maintenance guidelines) Sealing will help ease the cleaning of the tiles and will provide a gloss finish.
2. Regular light cleaning is better than infrequent heavy cleaning, we recommend using a micro-fibre mop system and twin compartment bucket (refer to our cleaning and maintenance guidelines). For larger areas use a rotary scrubber.