before installation

• To allow acclimatisation, lay your bamboo flooring flat in the room in which it is to be installed for at least 48 hours, in its sealed foil packaging or box, at a room temperature of 18°-20°C (50-65% air humidity).
• Please note that the surface to which the flooring is to be applied must have a minimum temperature of 18°C. The flooring may be installed on any sub floor which is level, without cracks, dry, clean and stable.
• Excessive humidity has a detrimental effect on the flooring. Maximum permitted humidity levels for sub floors are: sand cement 1.8%, chipboard 7-9%, anhydrite floors 0.3%.

please note

• Bamboo is a natural product! Therefore variations in colour and structure within a batch are possible. You should always mix the components from different boxes.
• Before installation, we advise you to inspect the flooring for moisture content, size, colour differences and damage. We cannot accept any complaints regarding this once the material has been installed or further processed.
• Installation of the flooring should always be the final job in any building project, in order to avoid damaging the flooring surface. Take care when working with adhesive tape as this could damage the flooring finish.
• Felt pads must be attached to furniture and chairs to avoid damage to the flooring surface.
• To protect against dust and sand, a walk-off mat has to be placed before and after the entrance of the room.

the gluing

• This flooring type should be fully glued on the sub floor. It can be glued directly on the screed (like sand cement or anhydrite) if it is level, without cracks, dry, clean and stable. It is often advised to place a chipboard or plywood to deal with possible problems in the sub floor.
• This way of installation requires specialist materials and skills. Only a recognised contractor should be used for the installation.
• Advised adhesive: a 2-component polyurethane. Please note that hardened adhesive can only be removed from the varnished surface using mechanical means, which may lead to damage to the protective finish.
• For porous surfaces dispersion glues (with a low water content) or synthetic resin adhesive with low solvent content can be used.
• Elastic adhesive systems like 1-component Polyurethane or silan type of adhesives only can be used, when:
  • Shear strength Ts > 1.4 N/mm² (3 days balanced at 23 degrees Celsius/50% Air Humidity)
  • Shear elongation γ >=0.5 (3 days balanced at 23 degrees Celsius/50% Air Humidity)
• Please ask your glue supplier for more information.

floor heating

This floor type can be installed – under certain conditions – on warm water floor heating. See “MOSO Bamboo Flooring floor heating”.

finish untreated flooring

• After the glue has hardened, the floor must be sanded and filled (with a mixture of sanding dust – 100 grit– and floor filler).
• Bamboo flooring must be lacquered, oiled or waxed. For oil: note that bamboo has a dense surface structure, therefore apply oil thinly and allow to dry between applications.

maintenance and cleaning

Cleaning and care: The useful life of your engineered boards will be considerably increased with suitable cleaning and maintenance. Ask your supplier which products are suitable.

additional note

Whilst all due care is taken to ensure the accuracy of the installation instructions, individual circumstances (location, subfloor and installation procedures) may vary and are beyond the manufacturer’s control. In case of doubt, therefore, consult the distributor.

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