

# LAYING INSTRUCTIONS – PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

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# TRANSIT FLOOR COVERINGS

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## **FLOOR PREPARATION**

The best possible tiles will not give satisfactory service without careful preparation of the underlying floor and the correct type of adhesive.

It is vital that the floor should be clean, dry and level, without trace of dust, wax, grease, oil, solvents etc.

Sheets of plywood or hardboard, at least 4mm thick, can be used to cover wooden floors prior to the laying of the tiles. Boards should be fixed with screws, counter sunk or serrated nails at approximately 150mm intervals over the face and approximately 100mm intervals along the edges.

Moisture content of screed must not exceed 3%. This should be checked prior to installation. If in doubt consult adhesive manufacturers.

**NOTE!** IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THE COLOUR OF THE TILES IN EACH BOX AS WELL AS BATCH NUMBERS MUST BE CHECKED CAREFULLY TO ENSURE UNIFORMITY OF COLOUR.  
THE ONUS IS ON THE CONTRACTOR TO ENSURE THAT ONLY ONE DYE BATCH IS LAID IN AN AREA.

## **LAYING INSTRUCTIONS**

Apply the adhesive with a serrated trowel, serrations 1,5mm – 2mm deep spaced 3mm at the base. Humidity and temperature affect the behaviour of most adhesives. Apply to a small area first and test for behaviour.

Lay the tiles in the conventional fashion and roll well with a three sectional roller during laying.

## **ADHESIVES**

Transit heavy duty PVC tiles must be laid in any one of GENKEM BAD900, PEKAY WD90, QUALICHEM QAR 190A or similar. In areas which are subjected to severe water, moisture, sunlight or heat, tiles must be laid in any one of polyurethane GENKEM BAW536, PEKAY V660, QUALICHEM 209C or similar. For wood or steel floors eg lifts contact adhesive in any one of GENKEM BAN523, PEKAY V440, QUALICHEM QAN400A or similar.

## **MAINTENANCE**

All common household detergents and disinfectants can be used **although ammonia and keytone-based solvents must be avoided**. Stubborn stains can be removed with the use of scouring powder and hot water.

As in most flooring products, care should be taken that no hot objects such as cigarette ends, soldering irons etc are placed on the tiles.

Brand sealants are most acceptable – follow their instructions very carefully.

**NB!** DO NOT WASH FLOOR FOR AT LEAST SEVEN DAYS AFTER INSTALLATION AS MOISTURE CAN AFFECT THE ADHESIVE – ONLY SWEEPING IS RECOMMENDED FOR THIS PERIOD.

These instructions apply to **conventional** floor tiles only. For **conductive** floor tiles, see separate instructions.

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