

WALL BASE, RISERS and Vinyl TRANSITION STRIPS

Installation System

Product	Adhesive	Comment
Color-Integrated WALL BASE Vinyl Rubber RISERS	S-725 Set-in-Wet	Apply S-725 with the S-50 Wall Base Notched Spreader; roll with a hand roller. If using a cartridge, apply two 1/8" (3.2 mm) beads to the back of 2-1/2" (6.4 cm) base, three beads to 4" (10.2 cm) base, and five beads to 6" (15.2 cm) base and 7" (17.8 cm) Risers. Stay 1/8" (3.2 mm) away from the top of the Wall Base or Riser to prevent adhesive oozing.
TRANSITION STRIPS	Solvent-Based Contact Adhesive	Follow adhesive manufacturer's recommendations for the installation of TRANSITION STRIPS.

Suitable Substrates:

All clean, dry, smooth and structurally sound surfaces, including gypsum drywall, plaster, concrete, plywood, paneling, masonry, steel, stainless and aluminum.

NOTE: Wall Base should not be installed on below-grade outside walls if moisture or alkali is present. Do not install over nonporous surfaces such as vinyl wall coverings and nonporous paints. If in doubt of porosity, abrade the paint or run a bond test. Wall coverings and nonporous paints should not extend more than 1/2" (12.7 mm) below the top of the base. Exterior use is not recommended.

Job Conditions/Preparation:

- Surfaces must be dry, clean, smooth, structurally sound and free from moisture, alkali, dust, dirt, wax, oils, grease, loose paint or plaster, wall coverings, or any other foreign matter.
- In renovation or remodel work, remove any existing adhesive residue* so that no ridges or puddles are evident and what remains is a thin, smooth film. Rough or uneven wall surfaces may telegraph through the Wall Base.
- Allow all materials and adhesives to condition to the room temperature a minimum of 48 hours before starting the installation.
- The area should be maintained at a minimum of 65°F (18°C) and a maximum of 100°F (38°C) for 48 hours before, during and for 48 hours after completion.

*Some previously manufactured asphaltic "cutback" adhesives contained asbestos (see warning statement on page xii). For removal instructions, refer to the Resilient Floor Covering Institute's publication Recommended Work Practices for Removal of Resilient Floor Coverings.

- During the service life of the floor the temperature should never fall below 55°F (13°C). The performance of the material and adhesives can be adversely affected below this minimum temperature.

Fitting for Wall Base and Risers:

Avoid small pieces at inside and outside corners. Pieces should be no less than 4" (10.2 cm) in length on both sides of the corners.

Wall Base can be mitered or formed and wrapped around outside corners. Shave a strip approximately 1/4" (6.4 mm) wide and one-quarter the thickness from the back of the Wall Base where the corner will be positioned. This will reduce the thickness to make bending around the corner easier and neater. Do not cut behind the coved toe.

Wall Base can be mitered, scribed or wrapped with a V-shaped notch in the toe at inside corners.

Fitting should be completed for each piece before applying adhesive.

Wall Base Procedure:

1. For straight wall sections, apply the S-725 Adhesive to the back of the Wall Base or directly to the substrate using the S-50 Notched Spreader or "L" Disposable Trowel. Stay 1/8" (3.2 mm) away from the top of the Wall Base to prevent adhesive oozing.
2. Apply a solvent-based contact adhesive to outside corners using a 2" (5.1 cm) brush or a very fine notched trowel. Apply a minimum of 4" (10.2 cm) from the outside corner, on both sides of the corner and to the back of the Wall Base. When using contact adhesive, always follow the cautions and warnings on the can.
3. Heating the Wall Base from the back will help it conform at outside corners.
4. After applying S-725 Adhesive, place Wall Base into position on the wall.
5. Butt joints neatly and roll with a hand roller towards the previously installed section for a tight fit.
6. Follow above steps until the installation is completed.

Riser Procedure:

1. For straight wall sections, apply the S-725 Adhesive to the back of the Riser or directly to the substrate using the S-50 Notched Spreader or "L" Disposable Trowel. Stay 1/8" (3.2 mm) away from the top of the Riser to prevent adhesive oozing.
2. After applying S-725 Adhesive, place Riser into position.
3. Butt joints neatly and roll with a hand roller towards the previously installed section for a tight fit.
4. Follow above steps until the installation is completed.

TRANSITION STRIP Procedure:

1. Subfloor must be smooth, sound, dry, clean, and free of dirt, wax, polish, paint, and all other foreign matter which may interfere in a good bond, including curing agents and sealers.
2. Carefully follow warnings on container of the Solvent-Based Contact Adhesive. Follow adhesive manufacturer's recommendations for the installation of TRANSITION STRIPS.
3. Roll TRANSITION STRIP with a hand roller.

Precautions:

- Do not install Wall Base on below-grade outside walls if moisture or alkali is present.
- Do not install Wall Base over vinyl wall coverings and nonporous paints.

