

WALL BASE, RISERS, and Vinyl TRANSITION STRIPS

Installation System

Product	Gauge	Size	Adhesive
WALL BASE - Vinyl	0.080" (2.0 mm)	2.5" x 4" (6.35 cm x 10.16 cm) 4" x 4" (10.16 cm x 10.16 cm) 4" x 160' (10.16 cm x 48.77 m) 6" x 4' (15.24 cm x 1.22 m)	S-725 Set-in-Wet
WALL BASE - Vinyl	1/8" (3.2 mm)	2.5" x 4" (6.35 cm x 10.16 cm) 2.5" x 120' (6.35 cm x 36.58 m) 4" x 4" (10.16 cm x 10.16 cm) 4" x 120' (10.16 cm x 36.58 m) 4" coved external corners (10.16 cm) 6" x 4' (15.24 cm x 1.22 m) 6" x 96' (15.24 cm x 29.26 m)	
WALL BASE - Rubber	1/8" (3.2 mm)	2.5" x 4" (6.35 cm x 10.16 cm) 4" x 4" (10.16 cm x 10.16 cm) 4" x 120' (10.16 cm x 36.58 m) 4" coved external corners (10.16 cm) 6" x 4' (15.24 cm x 1.22 m)	
RISERS	1/8" (3.2 mm)	7" x 48' (17.78 cm x 1.22 m) 7" x 72' (17.78 cm x 1.83 m)	
TRANSITION STRIPS	Various Sizes and Shapes		Solvent-Based Contact Adhesive

Installation:

Location: All grade levels

Suitable Substrates:

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

- Resilient flooring should only be installed in temperature-controlled environments. It is necessary to maintain a constant temperature before, during, and after the installation. Therefore, the permanent or temporary HVAC system must be in operation before the installation of resilient flooring. Portable heaters are not recommended as they may not heat the room and subfloor sufficiently. Kerosene heaters should never be used.

- 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 for 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.
- During the service life of the floor and WALL BASE, the temperature should never rise above 100°F (38°C) nor fall below 55°F (13°C). The performance of the flooring material and adhesives can be adversely affected outside this temperature range.

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.

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 of 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 a WALL BASE notched spreader. 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.

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

3. 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).
4. Heating the WALL BASE from the back will help it conform at outside corners.
5. After applying S-725 Adhesive, place WALL BASES into position on the wall.
6. Butt joints neatly and roll with a hand roller toward the previously installed section for a tight fit.
7. Follow the 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 a WALL BASE notch spreader. 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 toward 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.