



## GLUE DOWN INSTRUCTIONS

### INSTALLATION GUIDELINES FOR THE FOLLOWING FLOORS:

Arno / Clyde / Dee / Dordogne / Forth / Jeker / Loire / Mira / Pola / Rhine / Sava / Spree / Severn / Verdon / Wye 20 mm

### RECOMMENDED SUBFLOOR SURFACES

- Smooth solid concrete
- 18 mm CDX grade plywood
- 18 mm OSB PS2 rated underlayment

### RECOMMENDED ADHESIVES

- Thomsit P 685 (see technical data sheet for instructions and information)
- Sikabond T55 (see technical data sheet for instructions and information)

### GUIDELINES FOR GLUE DOWN INSTALLATION

- The maximum temperature of the subfloor may never exceed 28°C
- Room temperature should not vary more than 10°C between seasons
- The humidity in the room must always be between 45% and 65%

### INSTALLATION STEP 1: GETTING STARTED

- Select a starter wall. We recommend to start installation along an exterior wall. It's more likely to be straight and square with the room.
- Measure out from the wall the width of two planks plus a 15 mm expansion gap. Mark each end of the room and snap your chalk line. Secure a straight edge on the chalk line before you spread your adhesive to ensure alignment, which is a critical part of the installation. This prevents movement of the planks that can cause misalignment.

### STEP 2: SPREADING THE ADHESIVE

- Use the recommended trowel at a 45° angle to get a proper spread of the adhesive.
- Make sure you get a proper and permanent bond. Improper bonding can cause loose or hollow spots.
- Spread adhesive from the straight edge out about 750 mm.
- Change the trowel every 185 m2 to 275 m2 due to wear down of the notches.

### STEP 3: INSTALLATION OF THE STARTER ROWS

- Install first row of starter planks with tongue side facing the straight edge and secure into position.
- Make sure that the starter rows are glued properly and if necessary use weights to prevent movement.

### STEP 4: JOB COMPLETION

- Once the starter rows are secure spread 750 mm of adhesive along the length of the room.
- Never spread more adhesive than can be covered using the open time.
- Never lay planks further than you can comfortably reach.
- Place tongue into groove of planks and press firmly into the adhesive.
- Test for proper bond by occasionally lifting a board and looking for coverage of at least 90%.
- Clean any adhesive on the surface immediately before it cures
- Use caution using a rubber mallet to knock material together. It can damage the finish and cause marring.
- Never work on the top of flooring when installing with the glue down method.

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