

How to Install Tiles

When installing interlocking tiles, there are two common methods of installation:

A) No Cut Kits

In this method of installation, tiles are chosen so that they fit the closest size under your room size with no cutting of tiles required. Tiles that can be used easily for this method have center, corner, and border tiles available.

No Tools needed

1. **Directions:** Clean your sub floor so that it is free of all dirt, dust, grease or other foreign material.
2. Start in one corner of the room with a corner tile and add border tiles outward along the adjacent walls. Add center, corner, and border tiles where you see fit.

B) Wall to Wall Installation

In this method of installation, tiles are chosen so that they fit the closest size over your room size. Some cutting of tiles may be needed.

Tools needed:



Utility
Knife



Straight
Edge

1. **Directions:** Clean your sub floor so that it is free of all dirt, dust, grease, or other foreign material.
2. Snap a chalk line on the sub floor 24" from one wall in your room. Snap another chalk line on the sub floor 24" from an adjacent wall. You should now have a pair of perpendicular lines making an approximate 90-degree angle.
3. Begin laying the interlocking tiles along the chalk lines, snapping the locks together as you go.
4. Leave the perimeter of the room open until the field is installed.
5. After the field is covered, go back and cut in tiles along the walls in the room. Leaving a gap at the wall roughly the thickness of tiles being used is often recommended to account for expansion and contraction of the floor tiles in high temperature range climates.

Note: If you are using a tile system with corner, center and border tiles available for a wall to wall install, it is usually easiest to start in one corner of the room with a corner tile, line the adjacent walls with border tiles and fill in the rest of the room with center cut tiles.

Note: When piecing interlocking tiles together, adhesives are usually not used since the weight of the locked together product is usually enough to keep the floor tiles from moving. However if you do experience some movement and would like to ensure that the tiles do not slide at all, some double sided carpet tape can be used around the perimeter of the installation to prevent any movement.