



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

ACCLIMATE YOUR WOOD FLOORING

Proper Acclimation and Storage

According to NOFMA

(The National Oak Flooring Manufacturers Association)

You should acclimate your wood flooring in a heated, controlled environment for a minimum 7 to 14 days or until the solid wood floor is within the acceptable range of moisture content with the subfloor. Flooring less than 3" wide, there should be no more than 4% difference between the properly acclimated floor and subfloor. For 3" and wider, there should be no more than 2% difference. With wide plank over 4" extra care is necessary for good performance since the units move more with changing conditions. Proper acclimation before and after installation is critical. After acclimation (before installation), sealing the back surface may help prevent some cupping normally associated with wider widths.

It is recommended that your wood flooring be acclimated in the area in which it will be installed. For best acclimation results, it is recommended to remove the flooring from the box and rack it in the room it is to be installed.

Do not use any materials during acclimation and installation that will increase the relative moisture levels.

Always check the moisture content of the sub-floor and of your wood flooring.

INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

Installer's responsibility:

American Made Flooring recommends its products be installed by a qualified hardwood flooring specialist. Many important decisions affecting the performance and appearance of the installed floor must be made on the installation site, and therefore are the sole responsibility of the installer and/or owner.

These include, but not limited to, complete evaluation of site conditions including the moisture testing of the site and flooring, acclimation of the flooring to proper site conditions, site preparation, flooring layout, milling, grade and color, proper installation methods, and cleanup.

DO NOT INSTALL any flooring if there is any question as to acceptability. **INSTALLATION OF FLOORING CONSTITUTES ACCEPTANCE.** It is our responsibility to provide a dry, well-manufactured product but it is your responsibility to confirm this before installation.

Additional installation information can be obtained from the National Wood Flooring Association at www.nwfa.org, the National Oak Flooring Manufacturing Association at www.nofma.org or American Made Flooring at www.americanmadeflooring.com If you need additional assistance simply call (877)AMF-FLOOR.

Wood is a natural material which can expand and contract with seasonal changes and normal heating cycles which affect its moisture content. Even if the floor was properly installed, some strips may dilate slightly at various times of the year. This can be explained by the fact that wood expands as relative humidity increases, and contracts or shrinks in low relative humidity. These slight differences are not covered by warranty. It is important to maintain the relative humidity in the home at a constant 35% to 55%, using a humidifier or dehumidifier as required. Room temperature should be comfortable, between 15C and 24C (60F and 75F).