

## USAGE

Texline should be sold for domestic use only.

Texline HQR can be sold for domestic and light commercial use.

Texline PRO can be sold for domestic and light to medium commercial use.

## METHOD OF INSTALLATION

### 1. Permanent installation:

If direct sticking Texline the installation and subfloor should be installed to comply with Australian standards AS1884-1985. Use an acrylic sheet vinyl adhesive. Use a finely notched trowel (1.6x1.6x1.6mm) and cold-weld the joints.

**Recommended Adhesives:** Polymer 265, Holdfast 999 or 2000

**Note:** Do not adhere Texline to the subfloor unless it is completely dry and contains an effective Damp Proof Membrane. Roll the installation to ensure adhesive transfer to the back of Texline.

### 2. Loose laying:

For loose laying AS1884-1985 should be used as a guide excluding the subfloor preparation and adhesive instructions. Care should be taken in the subfloor assessment as large and complicated subfloor defects can show through the final installation.

### 3. Hook & loop installation:

Cut low profile hook strips according to your room size and place them at a distance of about 1-3cm from the walls for a perfect and invisible fit. This hook and loop fastening means that the floor covering can be uplifted for the benefit of:

- Easy removal of floor during decorating
- Flexible redecoration to the latest colour and designs, using the same hook strips



## SUBFLOOR

Thanks to its unique technical specification, Texline can be installed in a range of ways over a variety of existing subfloors of unlimited area. Provided there is no height variation and irregularities, joints or gaps don't exceed 3mm width and 2mm depth.

Many irregularities and imperfections in the subfloor may adversely affect the performance and appearance of the finished floor. In certain instances, we recommend a smoothing compound or hardboard underlay to obtain a satisfactory finish.

- **On wooden floorboards:** Texline can be laid without any subfloor preparation. No levelling compound or hardboard underlay needs to be applied even if there are open joints up to 2mm width.

**Note:** Levelling compound/ hardboard underlay should be applied to uneven and twisted floors. Where cupping is prevalent a light sanding of the floor will be required to remove height variation.

**Caution:** Texline will not hide variations in height.

- **On ceramic tiles:** Texline can be laid directly without any subfloor preparation. No levelling compound needs to be applied, even if there are grout lines up to 3 mm width and 2 mm depth between the tiles, provided there is no height variation.

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- **Over an existing vinyl floor:** Texline can be installed loose lay or semi-permanently without any specific subfloor preparation (except in case of large irregularities of the existing vinyl floor, such as missing product in some areas). We do not recommend installing Texline on old foam backed vinyl, rubber or linoleum.

- **On concrete surface:** Texline can be installed loose lay or semi-permanently without any specific preparation. Use hook & loop strips along the edges of the rooms. A very rough, untreated concrete surface however would need to be treated with a smoothing compound.

- **On a new subfloor:** The subfloor must be smooth, hard, dry and clean (new subfloor = no variation). Unroll the floor covering 24 hours before it is due to be installed. The floor covering should not be installed in a room if the temperature is below 15°C. We recommend that the floor construction should contain a Damp Proof Membrane.

**Note:** Installation on underfloor heating is possible (up to 28°C). Cold-weld the joints for perfect water tightness.



## INSTALLATION

- **Preparation:**

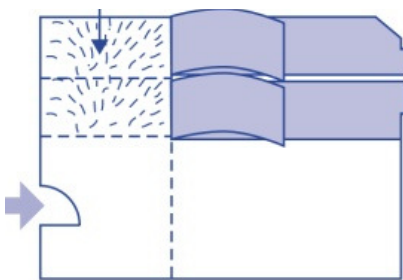
Check the flooring reference to ensure the type, colour and thickness correspond to the product you ordered. Check the batch number on the labels so as to avoid any problem regarding the difference of colour from one roll to the next.

**Note:** The installation can only be carried out 24 hours after it has been laid flat in the premises where it is to be installed. Smooth material by rolling or rubbing flat immediately after it has been unrolled. On occasion back rolling helps to flatten material.

Measure and mark out with a chalk line where the flooring joint will be. For wooden particle board flooring, check that the flooring joint will not be positioned right over the support joint. Our advice is to leave a 15cm space at least between the flooring joints and the wooden board joints.

- **Setup for loose lay installation:**

1. Sweep the premises clean and make sure most of the dust, impurities and dirt have been removed paying particular care to the periphery of the room.
2. Lay flooring flat in the room 24 hours before installation. Smooth flooring immediately after it has been laid flat, as recommended in preparation section.
3. Mark out the exact positioning of the first roll using on one of the edges of the roll.
4. Turn half of the rolls over.
5. Apply the first roll along the chalk line.
6. Tightly apply the other rolls along the edge of the first roll.

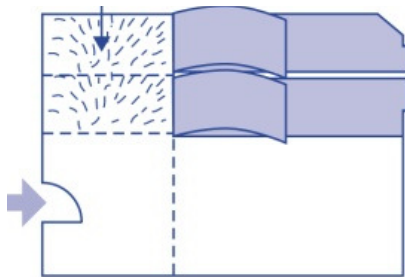


7. Cut the flooring on its periphery as per the geometry of the room by closely following the walls, skirting boards, pipes and other specific spots:
  - a) Along the walls, should the skirting boards be installed later
  - b) Along the skirting boards, should they be fixed
8. Where heavy appliances are located on the floor such as washing machine, fridges etc. we recommend the use of Texline hook and loop tape in the alcove.



- **Setup for fixed installation:**

1. Sweep the premises clean and make sure most of the dust, impurities and dirt have been removed paying particular care to the periphery of the room.
2. Lay flooring flat in the room 24 hours before installation. Smooth flooring immediately after it has been laid flat, as recommended in preparation section.
3. Mark out the exact positioning of the first roll using on one of the edges of the roll.
4. Turn half of the rolls over.
5. Apply fixing adhesive with notched trowel (1.6x1.6x1.6mm).
6. Allow to become tacky.
7. Thoroughly follow instructions by adhesive supplier.
8. Apply the first roll along the chalk line.
9. Tightly apply the other rolls along the edge of the first roll.



10. Proceed likewise for the second half of the surface to be covered.
11. Cut the flooring on its periphery as per the geometry of the room by closely following the walls, skirting boards, pipes and other specific spots:
  - a) Along the walls, should the skirting boards be installed later
  - b) Along the skirting boards, should they be fixed

- **Cutting in:**

Texline should be cut in approximately 1.5mm from the walls, doors, benches, fittings etc. This will allow the product to relax to its natural state.

**Note:** Correct cutting in is important in order to avoid bubbling at a later stage

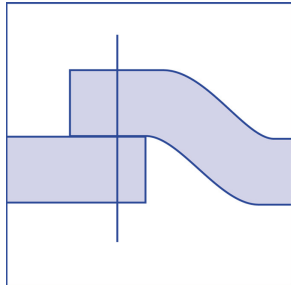


- **Joining:**

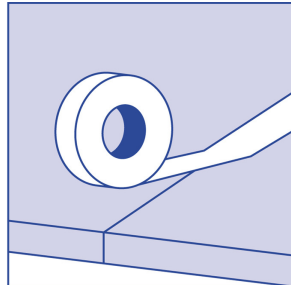
1. **Cold seaming** – The joins should be completed using a seam sealer. For the best results the seam edges should be taped to avoid excess adhesive on the surface of the product.

**Note:** Adhesive under each side of the seam is not required.

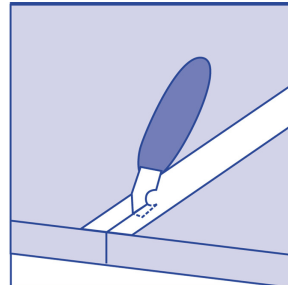
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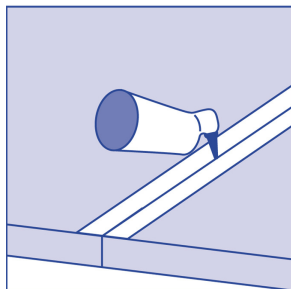
1. Overlap material for double cutting



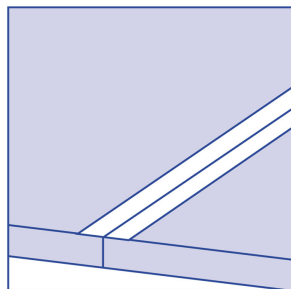
6. Apply masking tape over cut



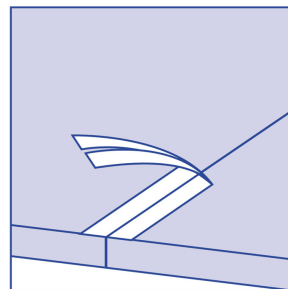
5. Lightly cut masking tape



4. Apply seam sealer



3. Sealer drying time approx 60sec

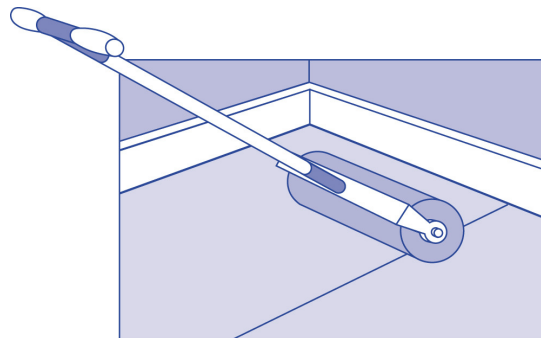


2. Carefully remove masking tape

2. **Hot welding** – Texline Pro can be installed using a weld rod. Avoid having the temperature set too high as this may cause damage to the surface treatments.

- **Smoothing:**

First manually press then roll material over the entirety of the surface at the end of the operations.



## **MAINTENANCE**

For regular maintenance use a vacuum cleaner, a soft broom or damp mop.

## **CLEANING**

To clean Texline use a neutral floor cleaning detergent with water and rinse thoroughly.

## **STAINS**

Most stains can be removed using a damp cloth with Eucalyptus Oil. Do not use solvents or ammonia based cleaners.

## **CARE**

Avoid placing waxed or rubber products in prolonged contact with your Texline floor.

Replace wax or rubber castors on the end of furniture legs with plastic or nylon ends or protect the floor with felt pads. Stiletto heels can damage the floor and should be avoided.

## **GUARANTEE**

All Gerflor floorings are covered by a conditional guarantee. In the unlikely event of a manufacturing default, the guarantee applies only to Gerflor flooring sold as first quality and used domestically.

Installation should be carried out in accordance with Australian Standards and Gerflor's installation instructions.

**Please contact your Gerflor representative or call 1800 060 785 for any further information.**

