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#### Włochy Instrukcja montażu paneli winylowych z użyciem kleju

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**Please note:** This is only a guide and we always recommend that you use professional installers for our products as incorrect installation or preparation of the subfloor would void warranty.

**Basic Tools Required for the Installation:** Stanley knife, tape measure, V notch trowel, straight edge square, string/chalk line, vinyl plank adhesive, heavy roller (min 50 kg.)

**Installation steps:**

**1.** Make sure that all boxes have the same batch/lot number. It is written on each box. Do not install planks from different batches within one room or in rooms that are directly adjacent to each other. After unboxing, make a visual inspection of the product. If any defects are noticed, do not proceed with the installation and immediately contact the retailer.

**2.** Take all the planks out of the box and stack them in piles of about 5 boxes high and allow them to acclimatize and level out for 24 hours prior to laying them between a recommended controlled temperature of 18°C - 27°C. 24 hours before installation, but also during installation and for 72 hours after installation, it is necessary to maintain a constant temperature, the diurnal variation of which must not exceed 5°C, and which is not lower than the required 18°C in the room and 15°C for the subfloor. After acclimatization, you can proceed with installation. If underfloor heating system is installed in the room, the planks should be stored in a way that prevents their direct contact with the ground, in order to prevent the lower pieces from heating too much.

**3.** Make sure you thoroughly clean your floor from all contaminates, (sweeping, vacuuming & damp mopping may be required).

**4.** Repair any damaged areas, holes, gaps and indentations by using a smoothing compound intended for this purpose, so that no unevenness shows through the surface of the finished floor. If you have any doubts regarding a subfloor contact a specialist. The floor will need to be level throughout the area that will be covered with glue and the vinyl planks. The subfloor must be dry, humidity should be less than 2 % for cement base and 0,5 % for anhydrite base. Subfloor must be smooth, hard (min. C20), uniform, free from cracks and scratches, and the surface must not be brittle / dusty. Remove all contaminants such as oil, wax, varnish, old adhesive, paint and other substances that may affect the adhesion and bonding of the glue.

**5.** Conditions during installation. During installation the temperature of the subfloor without underfloor heating should be within the range 15-22 °C. The temperature of the subfloor with underfloor heating should be between 18-27 °C . If in doubt, consult a specialist. After 72 hours of installation, gradually increase the temperature of the underfloor heating by 5°C per day until the standard operating temperature is reached, with a maximum operating temperature of 27°C. Relative air humidity should be: 35-65% RH.

**6.** Layout planning. The distribution of tiles/planks should be planned in such a way as to minimize the occurrence of excessively narrow elements near the walls of the main rooms. Elements parallel to the wall should be at least 5 cm wide, while elements perpendicular to the wall should be min. 20 cm lenght. It is recommended to lay the planks perpendicularly to the largest source of natural light in the room (windows, patio doors, etc.) i.e. in the direction of light, unless the project states otherwise. The row offset (distance of short joints relative to the adjacent row) should be a minimum of 20 cm.

**7.** Begin by removing the existing skirting board or other wall/jamb components so that the panels place directly against the walls. Always use a 3-5 mm perimeter expansion joint to allow the floor to work under the influence of temperature changes. Never cut in such a way that you have to force the tile in.

**8.** To ensure your wall is straight, use a string/chalk line from one end of the wall to the other to ensure your first row of planks is laid straight. Make sure to measure the total width between the walls divided by the width of the plank to ensure the last row is reasonable in size when laying it down.

**9.** Apply the adhesive with a suitable notched trowel (use adhesive manufacturers guidelines for notch size). Apply adhesive spreading an area that can be covered with planks before adhesive dries (usually about 20-30 minutes depending on site conditions), but always follow the adhesive manufacturer’s instructions.

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**11.** Once the adhesive has become tacky (the adhesive will have a chewing gum like consistency if you touch it), the planks can then start to be laid on the adhesive. It can take 10-15 minutes to become tacky, the warmer the temperature, the quicker it will become tacky. The time it takes for the adhesive to become tacky depends on the substrate porosity and ambient temperature in the room. If planks are being laid over a non-porous surface, Pressure Sensitive Glue will need to be used instead. Please contact the manufacturer for instructions. Please note: It is important to know the type of adhesive you are using as each adhesive by type/brand may have different structures therefore may need to be applied differently. Please ensure you consider the directions advised on the adhesive type/brand you are using before application.

**12.** Lay the first row of planks in position. Do not forget to leave 3-5mm expansion joints against the wall to allow movement in severe temperatures. Apply hand force pressure over the top of the plank evenly by moving your hand in a forwards and backwards motion. This ensures the plank get a strong bond with the adhesive. To cut the planks use a straight edge or a plank and place it on the marked area where the cut needs to be made keeping the front image facing upright. Score the plank with your Stanley knife and snap it down on a hard edge.

**13.** Continue installing the remaining rows following the same instructions above and keeping note of all the requirements. During the process, pay special attention to ensure that there are no deviations and all the angles are correct. After each section/area is covered, roll it out with a heavy roller (min. 50kg.). When the installation is finished then roll all the surface once again.

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