

General information :

1) BEFORE INSTALLING

Maintain the boards in their sealed boxes, for 7-10 days, in the area where they will be installed. During the installation period.

ATTENTION: Check the boards in daylight for any visible damage and also . We recommend boards installation from different cartons in order to achieve a colour consistency throughout the floor. Any covering materials must be completely removed from the floor leaving NO marks or remains. If the product is visually and technically in a good condition, then the installation can start. No return or claim are accepted once the flooring boards have been installed.

2) MOISTURE CHECK :

The substrate must be checked by an expert using a suitable measuring machinery to ensure the required humidity level in order to install later the wooden floor.

Humidity limit without underfloor heating. It is necessary to get installed a state-of-the-art humidity barrier according to DIN model, when the installation will take place in ground- or below ground floors.

3) Direction of the Installation :

The direction of installation depends on the main source of light falling into the room (windows).

The boards should run parallel with the entering light for the best result. However, the measurements of the room can also be emphasized by selecting a different direction for the parquet flooring installation. Diagonally installed boards can make a narrow room look wider. Light-colored parquet makes a small room look bigger.

4) Subfloor :

Suitable subfloors:

- Cement or poured cement floors.
- Sanded anhydrite or anhydrite floors
- V100(E1) installation boards or OSB boards
- Mastic asphalt floors (AS) leveled
- Metallic flooring

Subfloor testing and preparation :

The subfloor must be tested before being installed according to the standards VOB, Part C, DIN 18 365 and DIN 18 356 "Parquet Works" / EN 13489 , EN 14342 /CPR. The subfloor must be dry, absorbent , clean and even , compression – and tension-proof, without cracks. Make sure that the subfloor has been cleaned thoroughly from oil, grease, wax , paint, plaster, dust and other substances that may prevent or reduce adhesion.

Difficult subfloors, such as old mastic asphalt floors , very absorbent or sandy cement floors, , require special preparation, so as to ensure a secure subfloor for product installation. In this case, prepare the subfloor with appropriate filler or another jointing material according to manufacturer's instructions. With mastic asphalt floors, it is also essential to remove the surplus or siliceous sand with a disk sander and Hoover with the vacuum cleaner.

Gluing on a damaged subfloor or an old PVC is not possible. If you are in a doubt, do not hesitate to ask our technical service department (info@kormos-parchet.ro, office@kormos-parchet.ro).

5) Installation over underfloor heating :

When installing your floor over underfloor heating , the flooring must be installed according to the standards and the instructions of the underfloor heating producer.

Before you start the installation , please verify that the underfloor heating system has been installed in compliance with DIN EN 1264 Part 1-4 and that the proper preliminary heat-up phase has been completed. Detailed instructions on installation over underfloor heating can be given by your supplier.

6) Regular cleaning :

Dry cleaning :

It is usually sufficient to clean your parquet with a dry dust mop, soft broom or a vacuum cleaner. Damp mopping can always be carried out if it is required.

Regular maintenance :

We recommend that you damp clean your floor surface regularly by using a proper parquet cleaner, according to how dirty the floor is. Clean with a damp cloth or microfiber mop to have a consistent result.

Intensive maintenance:

If your parquet shows signs of wear and tear we recommend a basic cleaning with parquet cleaner, followed by a treatment with maintenance oil.

7) In the first 8 days after installation :

We strongly recommend that you go easy on your floor in the first 8 days after installation, so as to maintain the natural beauty of parquet with the buff surface as long as possible. DO NOT move any heavy objects, DO NOT cover the surface.

Delaying moving any heavy furniture or equipment as much as you can.
DO NOT use any carpets or rugs. Dust and dirt can be vacuumed with a Hoover. If necessary you can damp mop the floor with a proper parquet cleaner. If you cannot avoid the moving of any heavy furniture or equipment, it is recommended that the floor should be covered covered with cartons or cardboard. Please only cover the floor as long as it is absolutely necessary.

8) Climatic conditions :

The appropriate conditions which are good for people, they are also good for high-quality parquet wooden flooring. At room temperature of approx 20 C (68 F) , a relative humidity of approx. 5—60%) is considered pleasant.

In order to keep the air humidity constant, especially during hot periods., we recommend you use a humidifier, to prevent extreme drying out of the floor. If the air level is fallen below, minor gaps may develop in the joints between the flooring boards, which usually close again after the heating season.

9) How you can additionally protect your parquet floor:

To preserve the quality and beauty of your floor we recommend you use Teflon furniture glides (PTFE) under the chairs and furniture legs, as well as under the doormats of the entrances.

Chair castors and office roller chairs must comply with standard EN 12529. Use only lined rollers of type W (soft). It is also a good idea to use polycarbonate mats as underlay for armchairs and office chairs.

Please note: Always wring out the cloth or mop very well before wiping the floor. DO NOT wet mop the parquet surface and NEVER leave puddles or standing water!

Steam cleaning machines are NOT suitable for cleaning hardwood floors.