

ACCLIMATISATION

Click design floors must acclimatise in the room of installation, or an equivalent area for at least 24-48 hours prior to installation, or until such time as the product has achieved an ambient temperature. Note this is a minimum temperature of 18°C and a maximum of 27°C.

Unpack the flooring and check all planks or tiles in daylight for possible defects or discrepancies in colour.

Stack the plank or tiles in straight piles (must be stacked flat) away from heating, air conditioning or windows with direct intense sunlight. This will achieve a gradual acclimatisation.

PREPARATION

- The floor should be fitted at a room temperature of minimum 18°C/62°F and maximum 27°C/80°F.
- The materials should be acclimatised for a period of 48 hours prior to installation.
- Before installation, check all panels in daylight for possible defects or discrepancies in batch, colour or shine.
- Check that the tongue and groove of the click profile is free from dirt and undamaged.
- For best results mix at least two packs when fitting to avoid repetitions in the pattern. It is also preferable only to use material from the same batch in a single room.
- The surface beneath the floor must be sufficiently prepared (as per below) in advance to guarantee successful fitting of the floor covering. In particular, it must be clean, dry, smooth, firm, level.
- We recommend for one installation you use the same batch as the next batch cannot be guaranteed as an exact match.
- Never sit the flooring upright.

SUBFLOOR PREPARATION

Wood Floors - Wooden subfloors must be stable and solidly fixed; fill all joints and smooth any rough areas. It is recommended that they are then overlaid with minimum 6 mm exterior grade plywood.

Concrete Subfloor - Existing concrete floors must be cleaned of grease, wax and any other foreign or loose matter. Solvents or other chemicals must not be used to remove existing adhesive residues. Unevenness of the subfloor in excess of 3mm over a 3m length must be levelled with an appropriate levelling compound.

It is the installers responsibility to ensure moisture/humidity readings are carried out prior to installation.

Flooring should never be laid where there is a case of direct sunlight or extreme changes in temperature.

Flooring should be broke at doors with the appropriate threshold when running over 6 metres in length.

It is important to maintain a consistent temperature during the life of the product; dramatic changes in temperature can affect the product and should be avoided in order to maintain the serviceability of the product.

Clixel is backed by our 5 Year Domestic Warranty

This means that for five years, from the date of purchase, your floor will be free from manufacturing defects and will not wear through when installed and maintained according to the instructions supplied with each pack. This guarantee applies only to the original end user and proof of purchase is required for all claims. The guarantee is for replacement or refund of the material only.



INSTALLATION

Different production runs of Clixreal can have slight colour variations between batches. Before starting the installation, it is best to check the batch run which is indicated on the label on the packaging. If you find that you have packaging from different production runs, it is highly recommended that you open each pack and install a mix of planks from each different batch. This will result in a more natural looking floor.

Do not install Clixreal over soft subfloors such as carpet or foam underlayments.

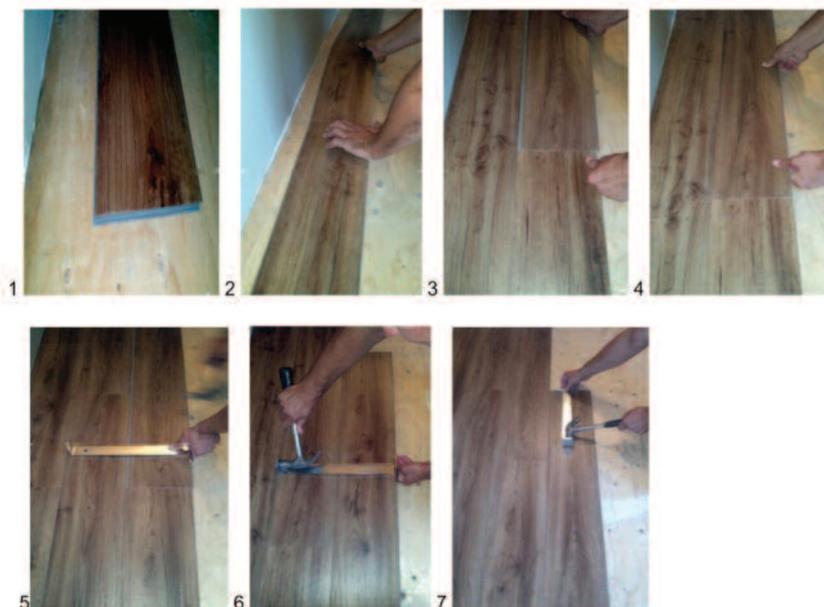
The use of Pull bar and tapping block is recommended to ensure a successful install. The Clixreal sections provide a very tight fit. Proper care must be used to ensure all seams are tight at end of install. An unprofessional installation or use of improper tools can result in damage to the Click profiles.

FIRST ROW

Diagram -1 - Start with the first sheet in the left corner of the room allowing for a minimum 5-10mm expansion gap from the wall, groove side facing out from the wall on the length and to the right on the width. Work from left to right.

Diagram -2 - Position the following sheets as an exact extension of the first one.

Cut to fit the last sheet of the row. To do this you can use a utility knife to score the surface at the appropriate point and then break the section over an edge. A laminate cutter or Mitre saw can be used as well.



FOLLOWING ROWS

Diagram -3 - Begin the second row with the cut-off end to start the next and subsequent rows.

Allow at least a 15cm stagger for end seams. For positioning the sections together, starting with the first tile in the row, raise the tile at a 45° degree angle, insert the lengthways tongue into the lengthways groove and lower the section while holding the two together until they are flat and tight together. Close the joint using hand pressure.

Diagram -4 - Lever the next section in place from the front side so that only a very short distance remains for it to be pushed into the lengthways connection.

Diagram -5, 6, 7 - Raise the section slightly and push it into the lengthways tongue, first close to the front connection then the rest. Make sure seams are tight on ends and sides using pull bar or tapping block before proceeding.

Continue the installation to the last row of sheets, as described.

How to shorten door frames: Position a loose sheet face down close to the door frame and cut with a jamb saw.

Upon completion the flooring is immediately suitable to be used. *Nail or screw mouldings to the wall, never to the floor.*

INSTALLATION OVER RADIANT HEATED SUBFLOORS

Rearo do not recommend Clixreal flooring to be fitted over radiant heated subfloors / underfloor heating.

UNDER FLOOR HEATING AND CONSERVATORIES

Clixreal is a floating floor system that is not designed to be glued down. Like all vinyl and laminate floating floors, it naturally expands and contracts with changes in temperature - a process called thermal expansion. This is why we recommend a 5-10mm gap be left around all flooring perimeters (usually hidden beneath skirtings or kitchen units.) It is for this reason we do not recommend Clixreal for use in areas which may experience excessive changes in heat such as properties with underfloor heating systems installed or in very sunny conservatories.)

MAINTENANCE

Clean regularly with a damp mop with a vinyl floor cleaner such as HG Vinyl & Linoleum Clean & Shine. Do not use excessive water. Never use solvent based or bleach based cleaning solution on Vinyl flooring.

Always use Chair Protectors under furniture and on chair legs. Teflon protectors are best. Clixreal do not recommend the use of felt pads.