

Starfloor Click Solid 55

LUXURY VINYL TILES

The best
hassle-free,
modular
and stylish
flooring

USE

USAGE

Starfloor Click Solid 55 is a flooring exclusively meant for a residential indoor usage.



*follow our specific installation recommendations

ACCLIMATISATION

Starfloor Click Solid 55 should be acclimatised for at least 24 hours in the rooms where it is to be installed according to the conditions detailed below.

ROOM TEMPERATURE CONDITIONS

Starfloor Click Solid 55 should be installed at room temperature, between 15°C and 25°C. The temperature of the subfloor on which the product is to be installed must not be less than 15°C.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION PRIOR TO INSTALLATION

TOOLS FOR THE INSTALLATION

- Knife with straight blade
- Protective gloves
- White-headed rubber mallet
- Folding rule/measuring tape
- Pencil/T-square
- Spacers
- Scriber

EXAMINATION OF THE GOODS

Check the quality of the goods supplied before proceeding with the preparation work. Claims cannot be made on goods that have been cut to size or laid.

PERMITTED SUBFLOORS

- Wooden parquet glued down*
- Even stone floors, marble, ashlar
- Ceramic tiles
(seam requirements: ≤ 4 mm wide/ < 2 mm deep)
- Compact PVC and linoleum coverings
- Even floor screeds: new or reworked

The warranty of the product is invalid when unapproved subfloors are used.

*When respecting local regulations

SUBFLOOR CONDITION

Prepare the surface according to the standards in force in your country. The surface must be level, firm and not exposed to rising humidity. The maximum flatness tolerance is 3mm under 2m metal ruler. Textile and needle felt floor coverings must be removed. In principle, it is recommended that all floor coverings are removed.

We advise not proceeding with the installation of **Starfloor Click Solid 55** in the event of:

- Significant uneven areas (in excess of standards of flatness applied in the countries concerned),
- Cracks in the subfloor,
- Subfloor insufficiently dry,
- Surface insufficiently firm, too porous or too rough,
- Surface contaminated, e.g. by oil, wax, varnish or paint residue,
- Difference in level between the subfloor and other structural elements,
- Unsuitable subfloor temperature (below 15°C),
- Room temperatures lower than 15°C or higher than 25°C,
- No heating protocols in case of underfloor heating system,
- Underfloor heating which maximum temperature exceeds 27°C.



INSTALLATION

INSTALLATION OF TARKOMFORT PREMIUM OR TARKOMFORT PRO UNDERLAY

We highly recommend the use of Tarkomfort Premium or Tarkomfort Pro underlay on any kind of subfloor.

These underlays offer the following advantages:

- Even out minor irregularities of the surface, e.g. when installing on ceramic tiles, wooden floors, etc
- Improve footstep noise and noise transmission levels (19 dB for Tarkomfort Premium and 13 dB for Tarkomfort Pro),
- Increase underfoot comfort,
- Make the installation easier.

For more information about the underlay installation, check the installation instructions of the chosen product.

INSTALLATION DIRECTION

Always start the installation from left to right. In a room, install the panels so that the planks are in the direction of the light. In long, narrow rooms, such as corridors, **Starfloor Click Solid 55** can be installed in the direction of the room.

EXPANSION JOINT AND EDGE DISTANCES

Using a suitable spacer, create an expansion joint at least 5 mm wide along the entire periphery. TIP: Use flooring off-cuts as spacers.

Also maintain a gap of 5 mm from all fixtures in the room, such as pipes, door frames etc. In principle, this expansion joint must not be filled with silicone, electric cables or other items.

Specific case of door frames: whenever possible, saw cut the door frame to create the 5mm expansion gap in relation to the wall. If the door frames cannot be shortened, we recommend a 5 mm gap all around the frame, which should not be filled.

THE USE OF SILICONE IS PERMITTED IN THE FOLLOWING EXCEPTIONAL CASES

Damp rooms:

Edge joints in damp rooms of max. 12 m², e.g. bathrooms or kitchens, may be made with silicone in order to avoid any infiltration of water through the expansion joint and onto the installed surface. For all larger areas in damp rooms, we recommend starting by applying insulating tape to the area of the joint before filling it with a quantity of silicone. The use of skirting board with a sealing lip is recommended in those area to minimize the water penetration.

INSTALLATION

Install the first panel with the tongue side facing the wall, then install all the other panels in the same way. Make sure that the ends are placed one on top of the other so that the grooves and the tongues correspond exactly and lock them by tapping lightly with a rubber mallet. To install the next row, place the left-over panel of at least 30 cm in length into the longitudinal groove of the row already installed at an angle of approximately 30° and lower it into the previous row using slight pressure. Take the next panel, place it also at an angle of approximately 30° in the longitudinal direction on the panel of the first row already installed, align it as closely as possible with the end of the panel previously installed and lock it as described above. This method is then used to install all of the other rows. Make sure that the end joints are offset by at least 30 cm in the individual rows in order to achieve the best installation. To install the last row, the distance between the wall and the row installed is measured and transferred to the panel. The last row installed should be as close to half a panel's width as possible. Remember the 5 mm wide expansion joint. If the wall is not straight, the first row needs to cut following the wall profile to always keep the 5mm expansion joint around the room.

EXPANSION PROFILES WITHIN THE AREA

Rooms with an uninterrupted area of 150 m² may benefit from a joint-free installation, taking into account twice the expansion gap (10 mm). Do not exceed a length of 15 m. Expansion profiles have to be used in rooms that are extremely long and narrow. Room areas interrupted by vertical elements (columns, walls, door frames, etc.) must be divided using expansion joints of at least 5 mm at the same level as these elements. When installing skirting boards, transition profiles or end profiles, the skirting boards or profiles must never be fixed to the floor covering. Contact your Tarkett representative if you would like more information on this.



IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON COMPLETING THE INSTALLATION

- Remove all of the spacers.
- **Starfloor Click Solid 55** must never be fixed to the subfloor, underlay, furniture or other fixtures.
- The appropriate use of anti-dirt areas and mats greatly reduces dirt deposits. Please use sliders suitable for hard floors if mobile furniture is used. Please provide office chairs and other wheeled equipment with W type castors.
- We recommend the application of a protective coat of TarkoProtect before the finished floor is used.
- For higher protection, desk mat can be installed under castor chairs and rolling furnitures.

PARTICULARITIES AND EXCEPTIONAL SITUATIONS

- Temperature range allowed after installation is between 10°C and 45°C, keep those temperature during full life cycle of the LVT Click and minimize the temperature variations. Below or above, the flooring should be glued down (see the list of recommended adhesives for LVT available on internet).
- In Regions that might experience high temperature variations (delta of 20°C during the day), the respect of these installation instructions is crucial to prevent any issues during product life.
- In conservatories, verandas and winter garden behind large windows or where there is significant light exposure the floor temperature can reach 50°C or more, the use of **Starfloor Click Solid 55** may prove critical and is therefore not recommended.
- The areas close to glass window, picture window, roof window, chimney... should be glued down (see the list of recommended adhesives for LVT available on internet). In such a case, double the expansion gap (10mm) to the opposite wall.
- Dyed rubber-based wheels and castors (e.g. vehicle tyres, pneumatic tyres) may cause irreversible colour changes in cases of direct interaction and contact with vinyl surfaces.
- Heavy equipment (kitchen court, shelves,...) should be installed first and not placed over the **Starfloor Click Solid 55**, respecting the 5mm expansion gap around the equipment or the furniture legs.

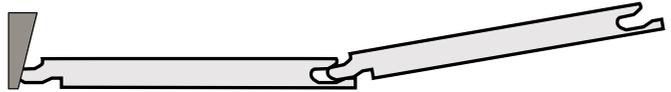
STEP 1 - THE FIRST ROW:

Tongue faces the wall. The remaining piece (min. 30 cm) of the first row can be used as the first panel of the second row.



STEP 2 - THE SECOND ROW:

The tongue side is inserted with an angle of 30° in the groove of the first row.



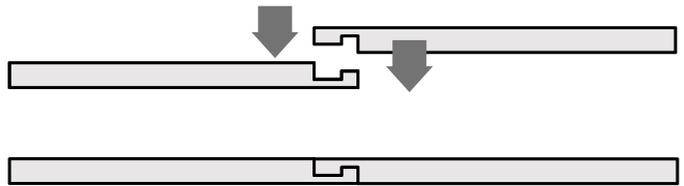
STEP 3 - DROP DOWN THE PLANK:

Lay the plank down – ready!



FACE SIDE CONNECTION:

Lock the front joints by hitting them lightly with a white rubber hammer – the closed planks should now remain flat.



CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE

Give the floor a final clean after installation. The floor can be maintained by sweeping, vacuuming or mopping. Use a brush and a pH-neutral detergent to remove stubborn dirt. All aggressive and staining substances must be removed from the surface immediately. Tarkett recommends using protective felt pads or plastic under furniture legs.

REPAIR / REPLACE "STARFLOOR CLICK SOLID 55"

In the unlikely case that you should replace a damaged plank,

To replace a damage plank, cut inside the plank with a cutter to remove the damaged plank.

Then remove tongue and groove in each corner of the empty space.

Before installing a new plank, use a hot air blower to make it softer.

Insert first the long side and press it under the groove on the short side.

When placed and clicked, just press the tongue in the groove on the other side.

For further information, please contact your local sales office

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