

Supersolid Engineered or Solid T&G Flooring

Over concrete subfloor

Technical Installation Guide

1. Products

1.1 CONCRETE SEALER

Selleys "VBS" 2 pot epoxy vapour barrier system.

1.2 ADHESIVE

Selleys Direct Stick LOW VOC adhesive

1.3 SUPERSOLID OR SOLID T&G END LOCKED FLOORING TIMBER

Herman Pacific's SuperSOLID Engineered flooring or Solid T&G end locked flooring kiln dried to a moisture content to match the proposed finished installation environment, plastic wrapped and stored flat and inside until installation start.

1.4 COATINGS

Ciranova Unico VOC free oil or recommended water-based polyurethane.

2. Installation

2.1 PRIOR TO STARTING ANY WORK

Start installation only when the building is fully enclosed, when all "wet" trades have finished and when any heating or air-conditioning systems are operating.

2.2 SUBFLOOR

Ensure the subfloor is clean & dry and level to the BRANZ Specification of maximum 5mm over a 3 meter straight edge in any direction.

2.3 SUBFLOOR PREPARATION

Diamond grind the entire floor area to remove surface layer, high spots and construction debris to ensure the best possible key to the slab.

2.4 MOISTURE BARRIER

Vacuum clean the diamond ground slab and apply Selleys VBS vapour barrier to the manufacturers' specification. Restrict traffic and allow 6 – 8 hours to dry.

2.5 LEVELLING

Fill any low spots with a primer and levelling compound over the VBS following the manufacturers' specifications. The primer is applied before levelling, to ensure a strong bond between the VBS & levelling compound. Note: Levelling compound, if applied underneath the VBS vapour barrier may be weakened by the presence of trapped moisture in the concrete slab. Follow manufacturers' instructions.

2.5 FLOORING MOISTURE CONTENT

Check the moisture content of the timber flooring and ensure it is at the desired level for the installation environment.

2.6 FLOORING INSTALLATION

Trowel Selleys Direct Stick low VOC adhesive on to the slab using the recommended trowel and manufacturers' specifications. Lay the Planks directly into the adhesive "staggering" the end joins in a random fashion. Cramp and secret fix with fluted flooring masonry nails if needed.

2.7 EXPANSION SPACES

Leave expansion spaces to the timber suppliers' specifications (6-10mm) at all fixed objects, walls and flooring transitions/junctions.

2.8 ACCLIMATISATION

After installation allow flooring to acclimatize to the finished house environment for at least 2 weeks with any air conditioning or heating running.

3. Finishing

3.1 SANDING & COATING

Sand the surface flat, trowel fill the entire floor to fill all gaps and fine sand. Apply Ciranova Unico VOC free oil or recommended water-based polyurethane to the manufacturers' specifications and spread rates.

3.2 PROTECTION

After final coat restrict all traffic for 48 hours then allow only light, clean traffic for 7 days to allow polyurethane to fully harden. Once the polyurethane has fully hardened it may be covered by "Ram Board" floor protection to protect it from trade damage (vacuum carefully first). Avoid covering within first 7 days and avoid covering with plastic at any stage. DO NOT apply ANY tape to the finished surface.

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