

# VELLFINISH FLOORS

## ENGINEERED HARDWOOD INSTALLATION GUIDE

For more information or questions about this product, please contact Vellfinish Floors.

INSTALLATION METHODS: Floating / Glue-Down / Nail or Staple

Before installation, read all instructions carefully. We recommend installers follow the guidelines set by the National Wood Flooring Association (NWFA).

This flooring is intended for indoor use only. Maintain temperatures between 60° to 80° F and relative humidity between 35% to 60%.

Engineered hardwood flooring can be installed on all grade levels (on, above, and below grade) following proper procedures.

### ACCLIMATION:

Allow flooring boards to acclimate in the room for 5–7 days before installation. Stack cartons properly and allow airflow.

### INSTALLER / OWNER RESPONSIBILITY:

It is the responsibility of the owner/installer to inspect flooring prior to installation. Installation implies acceptance of quality and appearance.

### JOB SITE CONDITIONS:

- Building must be complete and enclosed.
- HVAC must operate 7 days prior to installation.
- Concrete must be cured minimum 60 days.
- Subfloor must be clean, flat, dry, and structurally sound.

### SUBFLOOR REQUIREMENTS:

Subfloors must be level within 3/16" in 10 feet. Moisture content of wood subfloor should not exceed 11% and must be within 2% of hardwood flooring.

### MOISTURE TESTING:

Concrete must test 3 lbs or less per 1,000 sq ft (Calcium Chloride Test) or 75% RH or less (In-situ probe).

### RADIANT HEAT:

Only hydronic radiant heat systems are approved. Surface temperature must not exceed 82°F.

### GENERAL INSTALLATION:

- Allow 1/2" expansion gap around vertical obstructions.
- Work from multiple cartons for proper blending.
- Do not strike boards directly with hammer.
- Restrict foot traffic for 12 hours after installation.

**FLOATING INSTALLATION:**

Use approved underlayment and apply tongue & groove adhesive to all joints.

**GLUE-DOWN INSTALLATION:**

Follow adhesive manufacturer instructions carefully. Clean excess adhesive immediately.

**NAIL / STAPLE INSTALLATION:**

Use proper flooring nailer or stapler and fasten at 8" intervals.

**COMPLETION:**

Install trim without fastening into flooring. Clean using approved hardwood cleaner.

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