If the end label of your NuCore product contains one of the below listed numbers, please use the special installation instructions in place of the standard NuCore installation instructions.

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BEFORE YOU START / PREPARATIONS
Please read all the instructions before you begin the installation. Improper installation will void warranty.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
After installation, make sure to keep the room within a temperature range of 60°F to 80°F. Excessively high or low temperatures may cause this product to expand or contract and lead to visual defects of the floor that will not be warranted. For the best result, make sure to always work from 2 to 3 cartons at a time, mixing the planks during the installation.

Installation in areas with sustained direct sunlight:
In cases where the flooring is in direct sunlight for much of the day (Sunrooms, etc.) it is recommended that the planks be glued down in those areas. The planks are still clicked together as per the floating installation instructions, but an approved premium cork flooring adhesive should be used in areas as needed. Be sure to follow the adhesive manufacturer’s instructions. When employing the direct glue down installation method, DO NOT include a 6-mil poly vapor barrier in the assembly. Flooring material must be adhered directly to the subfloor.

This product has a pre-attached underlayment. Do not install over carpet or any additional underlayment (except a 6 mil poly-film moisture barrier over concrete). Using additional underlayment will void the warranty.

- Calculate the room surface prior to installation and plan an extra 10% of flooring for cutting waste.
- In most cases, this product does not need to be acclimated. However, if the boxes of flooring were exposed over 2 hours to extreme temperatures (under 50°F or over 100°F) within the 12 hours before the installation, acclimation is required. In this case, keep the boards in room temperature for at least 12 hours in unopened package before starting the installation. The room temperature must be maintained between 60° to 80°F before and during the installation.
- For floor surfaces exceeding 6400 sq. ft. and or lengths exceeding 80 ft, in any direction, use expansion moldings.
- Do not install cabinets or fixed objects on top of the flooring. Proper expansion space (1/4”) is required. Undercut all doorjams.
- Inspect your subfloor before you begin. It must be clean and level to 3/16” within a 10 ft span.
- Although this floor is waterproof, it is not to be used as a moisture barrier. The subfloor must be dry (max 2.5% moisture content - CM method). This product is also not to be installed in areas that have a risk of flooding such as saunas or outdoor areas.
- If this flooring is intended to be installed over an existing wood floor, it is recommended to repair any loose boards or squeaks before beginning the installation.
- Concrete subfloors must be fully cured for at least 60 days, and should have minimum 6-mil poly-film as a moisture barrier between the concrete subfloor and the flooring.
- If installing over existing tile floors, any grout line greater than 1/8” should be filled in with an approved levelling compound.
- With a floating floor you must always ensure to leave a 1/4” gap between walls and fixtures such as pipes and pillars, stairs, etc. These gaps will be covered with trim moldings after the floor is installed.
- Decide the installation direction. It is recommended to install the length direction of the planks parallel to the main light direction.
- Measure the area to be installed. The board width of the last row shall not be less than 2”. If so, adjust the width of the first row to be installed. In narrow hallways, it is recommended to install the length direction of the planks parallel to the length of the hall.
- Inspect each individual plank individually before installation. No claims on surface defects will be accepted after installation.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
In-Floor Radiant Heat: Flooring can be installed over 1/2” (12mm) embedded radiant heat. Radiant heat systems must have a minimum of 1/2” (12mm) separation from the product. Maximum operating temperature should never exceed 85°F (30°C). Use of an in-floor temperature sensor is recommended to avoid overheating.

- Before installing over newly constructed radiant heat systems, operate the system at maximum capacity to force any residual moisture from the cementitious topping of the radiant heat system. The maximum moisture content should be 2.5% (CM method). Before starting the installation, turn the heat off for 24 hours before, during, and 24 hours after installation when installing over radiant heated subfloors.
- Make sure that the temperature in the room is between 60°F (15°C) and 80°F (25°C) during installation.
- Once the installation has been completed, the heating system should be turned on and increased gradually (5 degree increments) until returning to normal operating conditions.
- Refer to the radiant heat system’s manufacturer recommendations for additional guidance.

Warning: Electric heating mats that are not embedded into the subfloor are not recommended for use underneath the flooring. Using electric heating mats that are not embedded and applied directly underneath the flooring will void the warranty.
TOOL AND SUPPLIES REQUIRED

- Tape measure
- Pull bar
- Wall spacers
- Utility Knife
- Tapping block
- Pencil
- Rubber mallet
- Miter/ Table saw
- Safety glasses

Step 1: After thoroughly cleaning the subfloor, you should begin laying in the left-hand corner. Place the floorboard 1/4” from the left wall. Use spacers between the wall and the floorboard. For Random Width SKUs 100494517 & 100494509, it’s suggested to start from the narrowest plank, then middle width and then the widest, then continue in this sequence.

Step 2: Lock short end of plank by inserting tongue into groove at an angle and drop in place. Continue to end of first row.

Step 3: Start the second row with the leftover cut part of the last plank of the previous row. This small plank should measure at least 12”. (Hint: For tile SKU 100494533, the small plank should measure at least 12”). Otherwise, use another plank that should be cut in two. The end joints of each adjoining plank row should not be closer than 8” to each other.

Step 4: Lock long edge of plank by inserting tongue into groove at an angle and drop flat in place. Slide plank toward end of previously installed plank until the tongue just touches the groove.

Step 5: Use rubber mallet and tapping block to lightly tap the long edge of plank to ensure a tight fit. ANY GAPPING CAN COMPROMISE THE LOCKING SYSTEM!

Step 6: Attach a scrap piece of floor to bridge gap between ends of planks.

Step 7: Lightly tap end of plank with rubber mallet and tapping block to lock ends of planks together. Be sure to use tapping block to avoid damaging locking profile. Ensure all gaps in flooring are closed. Any gapping can compromise the locking system. Remove bridge and repeat steps six and seven until the end of the row.

Step 8: Use rubber mallet and pull bar to lock final piece in row. Insert spacer at end of row to maintain a 1/4” expansion gap to the wall.

DISASSEMBLING:
Separate the whole row by lifting it up delicately at an angle. To separate the planks, leave them flat on the ground and slide them apart.

MAINTENANCE:
- Sweep or vacuum daily using soft bristle attachments.
- Never drag or slide heavy objects or furniture across the floor.
- Clean up spills and excessive liquids immediately.
- Damp mop as needed. Use recommended vinyl floor cleaners that do not contain wax or oil.
- The use of residential steam mops on this product is allowed. Use at lowest power with a suitable soft pad, and do not hold a steam mop on one spot for longer than 5 minutes. Refer to the steam mop’s manufacturer instructions for proper usage.
- Protect floor from constant direct sunlight. Close blinds or drapes during peak sunlight hours.
- Use proper floor protection devices such as felt protectors under furniture. Use protecting mats under rolling chairs.
- Use a mat at entrance ways. Ensure the mat does not have a rubber backing as it the rubber backing may cause discoloration.
- Do not use abrasive cleaners, bleach or wax to maintain the floor.