

PARQUET

Fitting and maintaining parquet

The Premium Floor Parquet is excellent for housing premises; it is not recommended for rooms with water presence, such as bathrooms, terraces, etc. Parquets may be arranged in any pattern desired by customers.

A purchased parquet should be kept in original package in a room having a constant temperature (18-22°C) and air humidity conditions (40-60%). It is recommended to put wrappings with parquet into a room where flooring is to be made 24-48 hours prior to fitting. Packages should be unpacked immediately before fitting.

Before fitting commences, it is necessary to verify the moisture of the sub-floor with special measuring equipment. The moisture value for concrete should not exceed 2% CM. The subfloor should be dry, clean and grounded. The parquet can be glued to concrete, chipboards, plywood and OSB boards.

Level differences should not be greater than 2mm for every 1m. It is recommended to lay panels parallel to the direction of sunlight entering the room. Depending on a chosen pattern, the fitting should be started by a wall, doorstep, corner or a centre of the room.

Place the wedges between panels and walls to ensure expansion gaps up to 10mm. Use highly-elastic polyurethane adhesive, which prevents the occurrence of "cracking" that might be heard at night.

Put the glue on the 50 cm-wide strip using a special trowel with an appropriately-shaped rake, and lay the panels according to a selected pattern. The amount of used glue depends on the alignment and quality of the subfloor.

Glue the panels on their entire surface, pressing them against the subfloor. Tongues and grooves should not be glued together. It is recommended to fit a panel to a protruding tongue, which simplifies fitting and reduces the time required for installation. Each following panel should be carefully pressed to another in order to eliminate gaps.

If needed, panels may be trimmed with a sharp, fine-toothed hand or electric saw. Be careful to trim panels precisely in visible areas, e.g. near doorsteps.

Once the entire floor is fitted, remove gap wedges and fix skirting boards. Brush and vacuum the floor, using a damp cloth to clean dirty areas. Spread the gap-sealing agent upon the entire surface to prevent moisture from penetrating wood, then polish the surface.

Maintenance of varnished floors: matte and gloss varnish

Once the fitting is finished, floor maintenance should be done immediately. Spread the gap-sealing agent upon the entire surface to prevent moisture from penetrating wood, then polish the entire surface. Floors should be cleaned with a bristle brush and a soft, damp cloth. Mops are not recommended due to an excessive amount of water they may spread. To extend the floor lifetime, use only high-quality cleaning agents for varnished wooden floors. You may also consider gluing felt pads to pedestals and legs of furniture, and using protective mats for chairs on wheels.

Maintenance of pre-oiled floors

Your floor is pre-impregnated with an oil for wooden floorings. Once the floor is fitted, see if there are any single smudges or spots of dirt, e.g. resin marks or fingerprints. If so, remove it with solvent. We recommend washing the entire floor after that and treat it with a PFLEGEWACHS agent (nourishing wax). It should be spread with a rotary polisher equipped with a soft pad. The polishing is necessary to protect the side edges of the parquet.

The parquet fitter should decide as to whether the entire floor is to be polished with a soft, cotton cloth.

Ensure a regular maintenance as needed. Remove dust and dirt with a cloth, sweeper or vacuum cleaner. Do not clean with alkaline agents (soaps).