

Roppe BaseMates™ Wall Base



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1. Product Nomenclature

Roppe BaseMates™ & Rubber Corner Blocks
SBR Rubber Compound

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3. Product Description

3.1 Product Basics

Roppe BaseMates, a patent-pending stackable trim molding system, is made of PVC free, 100% rubber compound and forms a clean, decorative border along the wall. The system is comprised of fifteen different components for use with any wall base – new or existing. The innovative wall base system is available in four 1-1/8" shoe mold profiles and four 3/4" and seven 1-3/4" profile top trims.

Roppe Rubber Corner Blocks are also patent-pending. The new rubber corner blocks offer installers and end-users a better option at the corner finish of a wall base installation. The industry has many solutions that hold up well under light to virtually no abuse. Wall base corners are subjected to extreme amounts of abuse in applications where there is rolling traffic, or maintenance equipment that can cause damage when rounding the corner. The new Roppe Rubber Corner Blocks have attached wings that can be fastened to the wall with both adhesive and mechanical fasteners which provide the extra durability required. When the wall base is applied over the wing, it is virtually invisible. Roppe Rubber Corner Blocks can be used with all Roppe wall base products including BaseMates, and are also compatible with competitive products in some cases.

3.2 Innovative Solution

BaseMates allows designers to more effectively design and renovate interior spaces without disposing of the existing wall base. The look of sculpted profiles in resilient wall base products has become a trendy design option, but typically is only found in high budget projects.



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BaseMates offers designers on tighter budgets the opportunity to take standard wall base and add a custom look at a minimal cost! BaseMates™ and Rubber Corner Blocks are also environmentally friendly and may contribute to the LEED® Green Building Certification System because each contains 10% natural rubber. The stackable trim molding system promotes the extended use of existing wall base by reducing replacement waste. On typical renovation projects, repainting a room leaves an unsightly paint line which requires the existing wall base to be removed and replaced with a new, taller wall base. With Roppe BaseMates, you simply paint no more than 1/4" below the top of where the new profile will be installed, install at least one or desired combination of our profiled trim pieces and wall renovation is complete!

Roppe BaseMates with Rubber Corner Blocks System is designed for use in commercial and residential wall base applications in conjunction with new or previously installed rubber or vinyl wall base.

3.3 Composition and Materials

Roppe BaseMates and Rubber Corner Blocks are vulcanized, extruded products manufactured from a synthetic rubber and 10% natural rubber compounds specifically formulated for versatility, durability, flexibility and stability. Base features an exclusive top-lip design for tight fit. Low-gloss, satin (matte) finish resists scuffing, gouging, and most chemicals.

3.3.1 BaseMates Top Trim

Height: 3/4" (19.05mm) available in four profiles, Styles "B00", "B01", "B02" and "B03".

Height: 1-3/4" (44.45mm) available in seven profiles, Styles "C00", "C01", "C02", "C20", "C21", "C22" and "C23"

Gauge: Nominal 1/8" (3.175mm) to 1/4" (6.35mm).

Length: 60ft. (18.288m) rolls for all designs with unique identical colored divider which easily detaches generating two-60 ft. pieces (120 ft. total per roll - 36.576mm).

All measurements are nominal.

3.3.2 BaseMates Base Shoe

3.3.3 Base Shoe – "New Installations".

Styles: Style "A00" (straight foundation) for new installations over resilient flooring,

Style "A01" (concaved foundation) for new installations over direct glue-down or stretched-in carpet for a smooth tucked transition look.

Height: 1-1/8" (28.58mm).

Gauge: Nominal 9/32" (7.14mm) to 5/16" (7.93mm).



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Length: 60ft. rolls (18.288m) for all designs with unique identical colored divider which easily detaches generating two-60 ft. pieces (120 ft. total per roll - 36.576m).

All measurements are nominal.

3.3.4 Base Shoe “Retrofit” for Existing Installations.

Styles: Style “A03” (straight foundation) for use on existing wall base installations over resilient flooring.

Style “A02” (concaved foundation) for use on existing wall base installations over direct glue-down or stretched-in carpet for a smooth tucked transition look.

Height: 1-1/8” (28.58mm).

Gauge: Nominal 3/16” (4.78mm) to 5/16” (7.93mm).

Length: 60ft. rolls (18.288m) for all designs with unique identical colored divider which detaches easily generating two-60 ft. pieces (120 ft. total per roll 36.576m).

3.4 BaseMates Inside & Outside Rubber Corner Blocks

3.4.1 Inside & Outside Rubber Corner Blocks

Style: Inside & Outside Rubber Corner Blocks

Gauge: Nominal 17/32” (13.49mm)

Width: Nominal 1” (25.4mm)

Rubber Corner Blocks Height: custom order height as needed. Roppe recommends that corner blocks are ordered at least ¼” taller than the finished height of the wall base that it will be used with. Any necessary corner height reductions can be achieved by simply trimming the bottom end of corner blocks.

3.4.2 Inside & Outside Rubber Corner Blocks Attached Wings

Gauge: Nominal 3/64” (1.19mm)

Wing Width: 1” each side of corner block.

Height: See Inside & Outside Rubber Corner Blocks for details.

BaseMates and Rubber Corner Blocks Available Colors:

Available in all 70 colors that coordinate with the Pinnacle Rubber Base line.

3.5 BaseMates Product Types and Dimensions



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3.5.1 Gauge: Profiled stackable trim ranges from nominal 1/8" (3.175mm) to 5/16" (7.93mm).

3.5.2 Styles: All styles available in 60 ft. (18.288m) rolls with identical colored unique divider, which easily detaches generating two 60ft rolls 120 feet total- 36.576m). All measurements are nominal.

3.6 Rubber Corner Blocks Product Types and Dimensions

3.6.1 Gauge: Inside & Outside Rubber Corner Blocks ranges from nominal 3/64" (1.19mm) to 17/32" (13.49mm).

3.6.2 Styles: One style available for inside and outside corners with custom heights available to be ordered as needed. Roppe recommends that corner blocks are ordered at least 1/4" taller than the finished height of the wall base that it will be used with.

3.7 Features & Benefits

BaseMates

- PVC free.
- Trim molding contains 10% natural rubber, a renewable resource, which may contribute to the LEED® Green Building Certification System and meets CHPS criteria.
- Stacking multiple layers of top trims allows height and design versatility in matching, complementary or contrasting color themes.
- Available in four 1-1/8" shoe base profiles, four 3/4" and seven 1-3/4" sculptured top trims.
- NEW! Roppe Rubber Corner Blocks are recommended. Inside and outside profiles available.
- All colors are inherent throughout and available at a Single Price Point.

Rubber Corner Blocks

- *PVC Free.*
- Revolutionary new Rubber Corner Blocks available in custom heights.
- Rubber Corner Blocks colors match perfectly with Roppe BaseMates and Pinnacle Rubber Base. Rubber Corner Blocks can be used in conjunction with Roppe Visuellé™.
- All colors are inherent throughout and available at a Single Price Point.
- Contains 10% natural rubber, a renewable resource, which may contribute to the LEED® Green Building Certification System and meets CHPS criteria.
- All colors are inherent throughout and available at a Single Price Point.



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4. Technical Data

4.1.1 Roppe BaseMates & Rubber Corner Blocks meets Standard Specification F-1861 Type TS (Thermoset Vulcanized Rubber), Group 1 (solid) including:

(ASTM F-1861 Type TS Required Characteristics and Tests)

Below should be the same as the revised pinnacle draft which would include the thicker corner.

Characteristic	Requirement	ASTM Test Method
Wear layer thickness	min 0.002in. (0.05mm)	F-410
Flexibility (1/4 in. mandrel)	No crack or break	F-137
Resistance to Light	Average DE not greater than 8.0	F-1515
Dimensional Stability	No more than $\pm 0.25\%$	F-1861
Height	As specified, $\pm 1\%$ of nominal height	F-1861
Thickness	As specified, 0.080 in. + 0.015 to -0.005 in. (2.03mm + 0.38mm to -0.13mm) 0.125 in. + 0.015 to - 0.015mm (3.18mm + 0.38nn to -0.38mm)	F-386
Length	As specified	F-1861
Resistance to Chemicals	No more than a slight change in surface dulling, surface attack or staining.	F-925

F-925 Resistance to Short-Term Chemical Exposure - When tested in accordance with Test Method F 1861, the wall base shall have no more than a slight change in surface dulling, surface attack, or staining when exposed to the following chemicals:

White vinegar (5% acetic acid)

Rubbing alcohol (70% isopropyl alcohol)

White mineral oil (medicinal grade)



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Sodium hydroxide solution (5% NaOH)

Hydrochloric acid solution (5% HCl)

Sulfuric acid solution (5% H₂SO₄)

Household ammonia solution (5% NH₄OH)

Household bleach (5.25% NaOCl)

Olive Oil (light)

Kerosene (K1)

Unleaded gasoline (regular grade)

*ASTM F-1861 Note: Factory-made corners and wall base may have visual color differences due to process and material variations. Consult the manufacturer to ensure color acceptability between factory-made corners and wall base prior to ordering.

(Non-Required ASTM F-1861 Test)

4.1.2 ASTM E 648 (NFPA 253), Critical Radiant Flux of Floor Covering Systems: Class 1, > 1.0 W/cm²

4.1.3 ASTM E 662 (NFPA 258), Specific Optical Density of Smoke Generated by Solid Materials: Passes, < 450

4.1.4 ASTM E 84 (NFPA 255), Surface Building Characteristics of Building Materials: Class C

4.1.5 Thickness: +/- .015"

4.1.6 Flexibility: Complies with ASTM F-137

4.1.7 Resistance to Heat Aging: Complies with ASTM F-1514

4.1.8 Resistance to Detergents: Complies with ASTM F-925

4.1.9 Resistance to Alkalis: No fading or softening

4.1.10 Squareness: 90 degrees +/- 0.5 degrees

4.2 Architects Material Specifications – Roppe BaseMates

BaseMates™ shown in the finish schedule or listed herein as BaseMates™ shall be Roppe 1/8" (3.175mm) to 5/16" (7.93mm) thick (straight & concaved foundation when applicable) and will be Type TS Thermoset Extruded Vulcanized Rubber furnished by Roppe Corporation, Fostoria, Ohio. Each shall be constructed of first-quality materials and shall be smooth and free from imperfections which detract from its appearance. The base shall conform fully to the requirements of Standard Specifications F-1861, Type TS (Thermoset Vulcanized Rubber),



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Group 1 (solid). BaseMates shall be 3/4" (19.05mm), 1-1/8" (28.575mm) and 1-3/4" (44.45mm) in height and in rolls 60ft. (18.288m) in lengths with unique identical colored divider which easily detaches generating two-60 ft. pieces (120 ft. total per rolls – 36.576m); and in the color stated _____.

Architects Material Specifications – Roppe Rubber Corner Blocks

Roppe Rubber Corner Blocks ^{shown} in the finish schedule or listed herein as Roppe Rubber Corner Blocks shall be 1/2" (25.4mm) from finish corner to edge and will be Type TS Thermoset Extruded Vulcanized Rubber furnished by Roppe Corporation, Fostoria, Ohio. Each shall be constructed of first-quality materials and shall be smooth and free from imperfections which detract from its appearance. The corner shall conform fully to the requirements of Standard Specifications F-1861, Type TS (Thermoset Vulcanized Rubber), Group 1 (solid). Rubber Corner Blocks shall be _____ (inside or outside preference inserted) and _____ (custom size inserted) in length and in the color stated _____.

5. Product Limitations/Precautions

Roppe BaseMates and Rubber Corner Blocks must be installed indoors using either Roppe 205 or 210 Wall Base Adhesives and in accordance with Roppe's recommendations in order for the product warranty to be in effect. Notice: It is the Flooring Installer's direct responsibility to inspect the cove base in the room or area prior to installation to determine the proper layout and best overall appearance. Flooring Installer must inspect all material for manufacturing imperfections and irregularities prior to installation. All manufacturing imperfections or irregularities must be reported to the appropriate authority. All-purpose cleaners/disinfectants allowed to dry on the base may cause staining. During routine floor maintenance, cleansers with acids may stain base. Base should be wiped off with a soft cloth or sponge moistened with clean water. Roppe BaseMates and Rubber Corner Blocks are not to be installed over non-porous surfaces such as vinyl or rubber wall coverings, laminated masonite, plastic laminates, or non-porous paints, primers or freshly painted surfaces. DO NOT install wall base/corners on outside walls in contact with the ground if moisture or alkali is present. This product is for indoor use only. DO NOT install wall base on any surface that will be exposed to moisture or extreme temperature changes. Roppe BaseMates and Rubber Corner Blocks may be stained if it is allowed to remain in contact with products that may contain staining ingredients such as tires, casters, and walk-off mats. Fading can occur from extensive exposure to heavy direct or glass-filtered sunlight, or unfiltered ultra-violet rays. Ensure any disinfectant, cleaning agent, dye, floor care product, pesticide, or other chemical (solid, liquid, or gas) that may come in contact with the wall base will not produce permanent discoloration and/or damage to the wall base. The wall base is not to come in contact with direct heat, such as radiators, hot ovens, or other heated equipment. Color selections must be made from actual samples as exact matching of color or shade may vary.

6. Installation



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6.1 General Preparation and Conditioning

6.1.2 Read the literature concerning the product description, product limitations, wall surface inspection, adhesive information, adhesive application and product installation procedures, and warranty before installation. All materials are to be delivered to the installation location in its original packaging with labels intact. The installation area, un-boxed wall base, and adhesive are to be maintained between 65°F (19°C) and 85°F (30°C) for at least 48 hours before installation, during installation, and thereafter. Proceed with the installation only when the conditions are proper and correct. Inspect all material for proper type and color. Roppe 205 Cove Base Adhesive or Roppe 210 White Acrylic Cove Base Adhesive must be used for the installation of BaseMates and Rubber Corner Blocks. A bond test should be performed at least 72 hours prior to the scheduled installation to ensure the surface is suitable. There should be extreme difficulty in removing the wall base from the surface. If the back of the wall base becomes soiled prior to installation, clean with a soft cloth dampened with a mild soap and water solution, rinse, let dry.

6.1.3 Wall Surface Inspection

All surfaces should be inspected prior to installation. Use only on structurally sound interior wall surfaces such as dry plaster, cured drywall, exterior grade plywood (Group 1, CC type), concrete, and masonry that are clean, smooth, dry, and structurally sound. Roppe BaseMates or Rubber Corner Blocks are not to be installed over non-porous surfaces such as vinyl or rubber wall coverings, laminated masonite, plastic laminates, FRP Panels, ceramic tile, marble or non-porous paints, or freshly painted surfaces, or over existing alcohol resin adhesives. If needed to install on a wall with vinyl wall covering, the wall covering must be first be cut and remove the wall covering exposing the drywall completely. Cut the wall covering leaving ¼" (6.35mm) margin below where the top of the wall base will be installed. All surfaces must be completely free from moisture, alkali, old adhesive, dust dirt, wax, oil, grease, loose paint, or plaster, non-porous wall coverings or paints, and other extraneous coatings or materials that could prevent a successful bond. Plaster and cement must be thoroughly dry and cured. Any rough or uneven surfaces may telegraph through the wall base. Follow the manufacturer's recommendations for any patching materials. Warning: When removing old wall base or adhesives, unless they can be positively identified not to contain hazardous materials, you must presume the materials may contain hazardous materials. Follow the recommended practices for the proper removal and disposal of the materials.

6.2 Adhesive Information and Product Installation

6.2.1 Roppe 205 and 210 Wall Base Adhesive

Roppe 205 Wall Base Adhesive is a fortified acrylic emulsion specifically formulated for Roppe BaseMates and Rubber Corner Blocks which provides excellent permanent adhesion. Roppe 210 White Acrylic Cove Base Adhesive is solvent-free, non-flammable, and nearly odor free, making it suitable for office buildings, hotels, hospitals, schools and restaurants etc. Both adhesives are designed for the installation of BaseMates and Rubber Corner Blocks to structurally sound and clean surfaces. It's easy to spread, solvent-free and non-flammable.



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Roppe 205 Wall Base Adhesive has excellent initial grab, long term aged bond strength and will not stain light colored walls. This adhesive is freeze/thaw stable down to 0°F (18°C) and 5-cycles; however, it is recommended to protect all water-based products from freezing. If frozen, DO NOT stir until material has completely thawed. Label information in English and Spanish. Shelf life is one year @ 70°F (21°C) in an unopened container. ROP205 is available in 11oz. cartridges, 29 oz. cartridges, quarts, and 1-gallon, 2-gallon and 4-gallon plastic buckets. ROP210 is available in 29 oz. cartridges, 1-gallon and 4-gallon plastic buckets. Spread coverage on 3/4", 1-1/8" & 1-3/4" BaseMates using a 1/8" saw-tooth spreader average is approximately 730 linear feet per gallon. When using a 29-fluid ounce cartridge, spread coverage on 3/4" BaseMates using the required 1-bead of adhesive is approximately 210 linear feet, 1-1/8" & 1-3/4" BaseMates using the required two-beads is approximately 140 linear feet. Rubber Corner Blocks should be installed using Roppe 205 or 210 Wall Base Adhesive applied either with a 1/8" saw-tooth trowel or with a cartridge gun, covering the entire back of both the Rubber Corner Blocks and connected wings or directly to wall surface. DO NOT spread adhesive within 1/4" from the top of the BaseMates and Rubber Corner Blocks. The connected corner wings can also be mechanical fastened in addition to using wall base adhesive for added stability. When utilizing mechanical fasteners, always position fasteners to Rubber Corner Block Wings in an inconspicuous area to prevent telegraphing. Coverage will vary according to the type of surface, surface texture, spreading angle, and nozzle diameter. Wet adhesive may be cleaned from the face of the wall base or corner surrounding area, tools, or hands with water. Dried adhesive may be removed with a soft cloth dampened with mineral spirits. Caution: When using mineral spirits, check first for base and corner face discoloration or distortion by first testing on a piece of uninstalled material. If discoloration or face distortion of the base or corner occurs, DO NOT proceed with cleaning. DO NOT allow the mineral spirits to penetrate the seam; this can destroy the adhesive bond. Over saturation of mineral spirits may discolor base or corner so use special precautions when removing adhesive residue. Read all the product and safety information concerning the adhesive, mineral spirits, and cleaning agents prior to installation. Follow the manufacturer's recommendations with regard to use and disposal. A Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) should be available during the storage of and during the use of the adhesive. Roppe 210 and 210 Wall Base Adhesives are CRI Green Label Plus, CHPS and LEED Compliant.

Roppe 205 Wall Base Adhesive Calculated VOC's according to California Rule #1168: 27 grams per liter of coating.

Roppe 210 White Acrylic Cove Base Adhesive Calculated VOC's according to California Rule #1168: 0 grams per liter of coating.

6.3 BaseMates, Rubber Corner Blocks and Roppe 205 and 210 Wall Base Adhesive Application

6.3.1 BaseMates Installation

6.3.2. BaseMates is to be installed using Roppe 205 or 210 Wall Base Adhesive over approved surfaces applied with cartridge gun in a continuous tight serpentine pattern or use a 1/8" saw-tooth spreader on the back of BaseMates or wall surface. DO NOT spread adhesive within 1/4"



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from the top of the BaseMates. Caution: DO NOT STRETCH the base. BaseMates can be stretched while rolling and will later return to its original length causing gaps at the seams. Note: It is important to always roll the base in the direction toward the last piece installed. This practice will ensure a tight fit at the seams. Bond the base to the wall surface and/or previously installed wall base within 15 minutes after adhesive application and lightly roll with a hand wall base roller. Periodically check the back of the base to make sure good adhesive transfer occurs. At least 90% of the base must be covered with adhesive. Adhesive open time will vary upon the type of surface, temperature of the surface, ambient temperature, humidity, and proper conditioning of the adhesive. When using an adhesive cartridge with the existing cartridge nozzle in a standard caulking gun, cut the plastic tip diagonally to produce a bead of adhesive 1/4" in diameter. When using the cartridge in an applicator with custom spreader heads, cut the plastic tip to a length of 3/4" or less. Puncture the tab at the bottom of the nozzle with a screwdriver or other appropriate tool. Apply even pressure to the trigger to produce an even flow of adhesive. Whether using the existing nozzle or custom spreader-heads to apply adhesive, use one-bead for 3/4" and two-beads for both 1-1/8" & 1-3/4" BaseMates.

6.4 Rubber Corner Blocks Installation:

6.4.1 Rubber Corner Blocks must be installed using Roppe 205 or 210 Wall Base Adhesive over approved surfaces applied either with a 1/8" saw-tooth trowel or with a cartridge gun, covering the entire back of both the Rubber Corner Blocks and connected wings or wall surface. DO NOT spread adhesive within 1/4" from the top of the Rubber Corner Blocks. The connected Rubber Corner Blocks wings can also be mechanical fastened in addition to using the recommended adhesive for added stability. When utilizing mechanical fasteners, always position fasteners to Rubber Corner Block Wings in an inconspicuous area to prevent telegraphing. Any necessary height reductions can simply be achieved by trimming the bottom end of corner blocks. Inside & Outside Rubber Corner Blocks are to be installed prior to installing BaseMates, new wall base or prior to installing BaseMates to enhance existing wall base installations.

6.4.2 Rubber Corner Blocks and New Wall Base Installation: Before installing new wall base, first install Rubber Corner Blocks (refer to Rubber Corner Blocks Installation Section). Once corners have been installed, cut wall base to desired length and apply adhesive according to wall base instructions, overlapping wall base directly over corner block connecting wings fitting directly against the 1" Rubber Corner Block and roll with a wall base hand roller.

6.4.3 Rubber Corner Blocks Installation with Existing Factory or On-Site Formed Corners: To install Rubber Corner Blocks when either factory or on-site formed corners have been previously installed, measure and remove existing corners leaving enough wall base material to fit tightly against the 1" Rubber Corner Blocks, while completely overlapping the corner block wings. (Refer to Rubber Corner Blocks Installation Section). DO NOT STRETCH wall base during removal. Install Rubber Corner Blocks, wall base and BaseMates using the required adhesive making sure each fits tightly against 1" corner, and then roll with a wall base hand roller.

6.5 BaseMates Top Trim:



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Top-Trim is to be installed using Roppe 205 or 210 Wall Base Adhesive over clean and well bonded approved substrates and wall base using either a cartridge gun applying one-bead for 3/4" and two-beads for 1-3/4" Top-Trim, applying in a continuous tight serpentine pattern or use a 1/8" saw-tooth spreader applying adhesive evenly on the entire back of the trim or wall surface. DO NOT spread adhesive within 1/4" from the top of the trim. If using Rubber Corner Blocks, first install (refer to Rubber Corner Blocks Installation Section), then cut top trim to the desired length and apply adhesive to the back or wall surface. Once adhesive has been applied, install top trim directly against the top edge of the wall base, allowing the trim's lip to overlap the wall base, and fit directly against Rubber Corner Blocks and roll with a hand-roller. Roppe does recommend wrapping columns; however it's the installer's discretion to determine feasibility. All top trim designs can be installed in a stacked pattern with 3/4" and 1-3/4" designs to increase overall height, design and color options. For installations where top trim will be stacked, follow directions noted above under this section, full adhering each trim with adhesive and installing directly against the top edge of the previously installed top trim. The height of the Rubber Corner Blocks will be determined by the total height of the top trim being installed. If outside or inside Rubber Corner Blocks are not being installed, on-site corners can be formed by mitering top trim at the appropriate angle, applying adhesive, and fitting firmly into place and rolling with a wall base hand roller. Both inside and outside BaseMates on-site cut corners appearance can be enhanced by using Roppe matching Colored Caulk. DO NOT disturb the installed wall base, Top Trim or Rubber Corner Blocks for 48 hours after installation to allow the adhesive to properly set up. Maintain the temperature between 65°F (19°C) and 85° F (30°C) thereafter. On non-porous wall surfaces, a non-flammable contact bond adhesive should be used after first sanding thoroughly the back of each product being installed with 60 grit sandpaper and cleaning with denatured alcohol, and allowing to dry. Always check for compatibility and bond performance before proceeding with installation to ensure the desired results are achieved. Caution: DO NOT STRETCH the wall base or top trim. The wall base and top trim can be stretched while rolling and will later return to its original length causing gaps at the seams.

Note: It is important to always roll the base and trim in the direction toward the last piece installed. This practice will ensure a tight fit at the seams.

6.6 BaseMates Base Shoe (New & Retrofit) are to be installed using Roppe 205 or 210 Wall Base Adhesive over clean and well bonded existing or new vinyl or rubber wall base and recommended substrates using either a cartridge gun applying two-beads of adhesive in a continuous tight serpentine pattern or use a 1/8" saw-tooth spreader applying adhesive evenly on the back of the base shoe or wall surface.

6.6.1 Base Shoe – New Installation: Choose either Style A00 (straight foundation) for new resilient installations or Style A01 (concaved foundation) for new carpet installation. Refer to Rubber Corner Blocks installation application instructions before installing Base Shoe. If outside and inside Rubber Corner Blocks are not being installed, on-site corners can be formed by mitering Base Shoe at the appropriate angle, applying adhesive, and fitting firmly into place and rolling with a wall base hand roller. Roppe does recommend wrapping columns; however it's the installer's discretion to determine feasibility. Both inside and outside Base Shoe on-site cut



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corners appearance can be enhanced by using Roppe matching Colored Caulk. DO NOT disturb the installed wall base, Base Shoe or Rubber Corner Blocks for 48 hours after installation to allow the adhesive to properly set up. Maintain the temperature between 65°F (19°C) and 85° F (30°C) thereafter. On non-porous wall surfaces, a non-flammable contact bond adhesive should be used after first sanding thoroughly the back of each product being installed with 60 grit sandpaper and cleaning with denatured alcohol, and allowing to dry. Always check for compatibility and bond performance before proceeding with installation to ensure the desired results are achieved. Prior to installing new toeless wall base, first establish a straight horizontal line on the wall surface, and cut Base Shoe to desired length. Apply adhesive and adhere the Base Shoe directly against approved wall surface, flooring and corner blocks, and roll with a wall base hand roller. Apply adhesive to new toeless wall base or wall surface and slide into the top-back Base Shoe channel to form a tight fit, and roll with a wall base hand roller. If toed wall base has been supplied, simply remove toe by cutting a straight line and follow the installation instructions noted above for toeless wall base. Caution: DO NOT STRETCH the base shoe or wall base. The base shoe and wall base can be stretched while rolling and will later return to its original length causing gaps at the seams. Note: It is important to always roll the base shoe and wall base in the direction toward the last piece installed. This practice will ensure a tight fit at the seams.

6.6.2 Base Shoe “Retrofit” Installation: Choose either Style A03 (straight foundation) for use on existing wall base installations over resilient flooring or Style A02 (concaved foundation) for use on existing wall base installations over carpet. Refer to Rubber Corner Blocks installation instructions before installing Base Shoe. If inside and outside Rubber Corner Blocks are not being installed, on-site corners can be formed by mitering Base Shoe at the appropriate angle, applying adhesive, and fitting firmly into place and rolling with a wall base hand roller. Both inside and outside Base Shoe on-site cut corners appearance can be enhanced by using Roppe matching Colored Caulk. To install Retrofit Base Shoe to existing toeless or toed wall base, establish a straight horizontal line and cut the bottom of the existing wall base allowing enough space for the base shoe to fit directly against wall base, flooring and corner blocks. Cut Base Shoe to desired length and apply adhesive to backing or wall surface, and attach to substrate and wall base ensuring the top-back of the base shoe channel forms a tight fit against the bottom trimmed edge of the wall base and roll with a wall base hand roller. Caution: DO NOT STRETCH the base shoe or wall base. The base shoe can be stretched while rolling and will later return to its original length causing gaps at the seams. Note: It is important to always roll the base shoe in the direction toward the last piece installed. This practice will ensure a tight fit at the seams. DO NOT disturb the installed wall base, Base Shoe or Rubber Corner Blocks for 48 hours after installation to allow the adhesive to properly set up. Maintain the temperature between 65°F (19°C) and 85° F (30°C) thereafter. On non-porous wall surfaces, a non-flammable contact bond adhesive should be used after first sanding thoroughly the back of each product being installed with 60 grit sandpaper and cleaning with denatured alcohol, and allowing to dry always check for compatibility and bond performance before proceeding with installation to ensure the desired results are achieved.

6.6.3 Roppe 205 and 210 Wall Base Adhesive Application



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Spread adhesive with cartridge gun in a continuous tight serpentine bead pattern recommended for the type of BaseMates being installed or use a 1/8" saw-tooth spreader evenly on the back of the base or wall surface. **DO NOT STRETCH** adhesive within 1/4" from the top of the wall base or allow adhesive to dry or skin-over. Caution: **DO NOT STRETCH** the wall base. The wall base can be stretched while rolling and will later return to its original length causing gaps at the seams. Note: It is important to always roll the base in the direction toward the last piece installed. This practice will ensure a tight fit at the seams. Bond the base to the wall within 15 minutes after adhesive application and lightly roll with a hand wall base roller. Periodically check the back of the wall base to make sure good adhesive transfer occurs. At least 90% of the base must be covered with adhesive. Adhesive open time will vary upon the type of surface, temperature of the surface, ambient temperature, humidity, and proper conditioning of the adhesive. When using an adhesive cartridge with the existing cartridge nozzle in a standard caulking gun, cut the plastic tip diagonally to produce a bead of adhesive 1/4" in diameter.

When using the cartridge in an applicator with custom spreader heads, cut the plastic tip to a length of 1/4" or less. Puncture the tab at the bottom of the nozzle with a screwdriver or other appropriate tool. Apply even pressure to the trigger to produce an even flow of adhesive. Whether using the existing nozzle or custom spreader heads use one-bead for 3/4" BaseMates, and two-beads for 1-1/8" & 1-3/4" wall base. **DO NOT** disturb the installed wall base for 48 hours after installation to allow the adhesive to properly set up. Maintain the temperature between 65°F (19°C) and 85° F (30°C) thereafter.

7. Product Maintenance/Precautions

7.1 **DO NOT** rub or apply lateral or vertical pressure to the wall base for at least 72 hours after the installation is complete to allow the adhesive to properly cure. Some disinfectants, cleaning agents, floor maintenance products, and pesticides may stain or damage the surface of the wall base. Roppe Pinnacle, BaseMates and Rubber Corner Blocks and factory corners can be routinely cleaned by wiping with a soft cloth slightly dampened with warm water.

CAUTION: Coarse cleaning materials and/or harsh cleaning agents may damage the surface of the base. Do not allow water, solutions or cleaners of any kind to work its way between the wall base joints or top of the wall base, which can have an adverse effect on the adhesive. Always check for compatibility and performance prior to cleaning by utilizing uninstalled material or test in an inconspicuous area before proceeding to determine if the desired results can be achieved without distorting the wall base.

8. Availability and Cost

8.1 Products are available through Roppe distributors. Contact Roppe Customer Service (800) 537-9527 or visit www.roppe.com for a distributor near you.

8.2 Samples may be obtained by may be obtained by calling Roppe Customer Service at 1-800-537-9527, or by visiting www.roppe.com



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9. Technical Assistance

Technical service information and assistance may be obtained by calling Roppe Customer Service at 1-800-537-9527, or by visiting www.roppe.com

10. Limited Warranty

Roppe Corporation manufactures and markets its wall base product under the trade names BaseMates and Rubber Corner Blocks are warranted for a period of one (1) year from date of installation to be free of defects in material and workmanship. Roppe has a two (2) year (See Limited Wear Warranty) Limited Wear Warranty on Roppe BaseMates and Rubber Corner Blocks for non-transit use, based by product design and installation purpose, if installed, maintained, and used strictly in accordance with Roppe's written instructions and installed with the recommended Roppe adhesive. Roppe will not warranty BaseMates or Rubber Corner Blocks products against fading or discoloration when exposed to direct sunlight or indirect sunlight. Refer to Roppe Product Specification Sheet before proceeding with installation. For any applications not listed, do not proceed with installation regardless of the circumstance. Instructions may be obtained from a Roppe distributor or by writing Roppe, Attention: Sales Service Manager, P.O. Box 1158, Fostoria, OH, 44830. Notice of any defect must be made in writing to Roppe within thirty (30) days after buyer learns of the defect. No merchandise is to be returned prior to Roppe's inspection and written approval. Buyer's sole and exclusive remedy against Roppe and Dealer for claims arising hereunder for any and all losses and damages resulting from any cause shall be a pro rata credit based on the period remaining in this Limited Warranty toward the purchase of new Roppe BaseMates or Rubber Corner Blocks. Replacement credit shall be equal to the proportion of Limited Warranty time remaining multiplied by the current price of Roppe BaseMates or Rubber Corner Blocks. In no event shall Roppe be liable for incidental or consequential damages, even if some other provision of this Limited Warranty is unenforceable. Buyer waives all other claims and remedies of any nature. Roppe BaseMates or Rubber Corner Blocks is not designed for use in or near commercial kitchens or for outdoors use. Roppe shall have no liability whatsoever to Buyer in the event the goods become defective if such defect is caused in whole or part by cuts, tears, vandalism, fire, willful destruction, damage from high heels, spiked footwear, improper installation, improper maintenance, subfloor and/or substrate irregularities, accidents, natural causes, or acts of God. Roppe will not be liable for labor costs or lost profits resulting from the use of or inability to use the product. Roppe will not be liable for labor costs for material that is installed with obvious defects. Products designated as "seconds", "mill run", "non-conforming", not being of first quality, are sold as-is and Roppe makes no warranties whatsoever, expressed or implied, with respect thereto, including warranties of merchantability or fitness for a particular use. These warranties are expressly in lieu of any other warranties expressed or implied. By retaining Roppe's merchandise for more than five (5) days after receipt of such merchandise, Buyer agrees that it accepts the terms of this Limited Warranty and that there are no warranties or rights beyond those contained herein. All claims must be made in writing and sent to Roppe, Attn: Claims Manager, P.O. Box 1158, Fostoria, Ohio, 44830. All claims for surface defects or variations in color or pattern must be delivered to Roppe in writing before the product is installed. Roppe will not accept the return of any product without prior written approval of the Roppe Claims Department.



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* Limited Wear Warranty Terms (Products: BaseMates and Rubber Corner Blocks Wall Base)

If excessive wear is suspected, the original purchaser must notify Roppe Corporation in writing and permit an inspection of the flooring material. If Roppe Corporation determines excessive wear, and the flooring material has been properly installed and maintained, Roppe Corporation will replace the flooring material based on the following terms:

A. Terms

- a. **Within One-Year:** If excessive wear is determined by Roppe within one (1) year of installation, Roppe will furnish new material of the same or similar style and color sufficient to repair or place the defective material. Roppe will also pay reasonable labor cost once submitted in writing and approved.
- b. **After One-Year & Within Two-Years:** If excessive wear is determined by Roppe after one year and within two (2) years of installation, Roppe will furnish new material of the same or similar style and color sufficient to repair or place the defective material. Roppe will not be held liable for labor cost.

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