

## Mats Inc. Installation Instructions for Unique Tile

*These instructions supersede any verbal or written instructions from Mats Inc. representatives, and must be followed in order for the warranty to be in effect.*

### Delivery

- Order materials in compliance with product supplier's ordering and lead time requirements, in order to take delivery at least 48 hours in advance of installation (to allow materials to acclimate to job site conditions).
- Accept delivery of materials only if they are in unopened, undamaged packaging that bears the name and brand of the manufacturer or supplier, project identification, and shipping and handling instructions.

### Storage

- Store material in original packaging in areas that are enclosed and weather proof
- **If material is distorted during storage or transporting, do not attempt to install it.**

### Materials and Accessories Required

- **Flooring:** Unique Tile
- **Edges & Corners:** used for surface mount applications
- **Other:** jig saw, rubber mallet and measuring tape

### Layout

- The flooring dealer or contractor shall provide a layout drawing for the intended installation that contains the following information
  - Date and scale of drawing
  - Location, swing, and clearance of all doors
  - Existing substrate/subfloor conditions
  - Notation identifying who is responsible for:
    - preparation of existing substrate
    - removal of debris from new floor covering installation
    - protection of finished floor covering after installation
    - Initial maintenance procedures
  - Name of manufacturer, product style, and pattern to be installed
  - Product quantities required

- Seam layout including pattern match requirements (if required)
- The end user shall be provided a copy of the layout drawing for approval prior to installation.

## **Substrate Preparation**

### ***Concrete substrates and subfloors***

- The substrate/subfloor must be sound, clean, permanently dry, perfectly smooth, and free of cracks and contaminants, including paint, old adhesive, curing compounds, oil, grease, wax, asphalt, or other contaminants that could negatively affect the performance of the adhesive. Any irregularities in the substrate/subfloor will telegraph (show through) to the finished floor.
- Floor laying work shall not begin until the installer has assessed and approved the substrate and subfloor conditions.

## **Installation**

1. Start the installation in a corner and install tiles in a right angle. Remember to keep the smooth side of the tiles towards the wall with the protruding rings pointing away from the corner.
2. Fix the connection tabs over the protruding rings.
3. Distinctly tapping a rubber mallet over the connection tabs will interlock the tiles together.
4. Use a jig saw to cut the tiles for a perfect fit.
5. Edges and corners can be installed in the same fashion as the tiles. Simply fix the connection tabs over the protruding rings and tap a rubber mallet over the connections tabs to interlock the tile with the edges and corners.

## **Clean Up and Final Finish**

- Dust mop or commercial vacuum to clear the area of debris and grit.
- Upon completion of the job, the end user shall sign a Job Completion Ticket.