



LOCK TILE INSTALLATION

- PREPARATION**
- Lock-Tile® must be site conditioned at room temperature for 24 hours prior to installation. During this period room temperature should be maintained at 70° F +/- 5° F (21° C +/- 3° C).
 - Remove as much equipment as possible from the work area. Lock-Tile® should be laid around rather than under heavy machinery.
 - Thoroughly sweep floor area and remove any debris.
 - Fill any significant holes or cracks.
- INSTALLATION**
- Start by calculating the center of the room. Install tiles from the center working out towards the walls, using a rubber mallet or engineering hammer to connect the tiles.
 - The tiles can be easily cut with a sharp utility knife, or jigsaw. For best results especially in large installations the use of a band-saw is recommended.
 - Once all the full tiles have been installed then proceed with the trimmed tiles. A space of $\frac{1}{4}$ " (6mm) expansion gap should be left at the walls and any other obstacles such as pillars and extremely heavy equipment.
 - If required the expansion gap can be filled with a flexible caulk and/or covered with PVC base cove.
 - In most applications no gluing is required. The only situations that gluing is recommended are:
 - When the tiles will be exposed to direct sunlight.
 - Where there are extremely heavy traffic maneuvers combined with tight turning.
 - Floor is exposed to high temperatures.
 - Tiles are installed in cold temperatures
 - When gluing is required for best results we recommend the use of TILEBOND 55™ (see product information)
- COATING**
- For additional; protection and a enhanced look it is worth considering applying 2 coats of TILECOTE 88™

TIRE
MARKS

- For applications prone to tire marking especially where marking tires are used on light color tiles, we recommend the application of TIREGUARD 44™ on all floor areas that are in contact with the tires. (See product information).

CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE

CLEANING

- As with any type of floor regular cleaning will maintain Lock-Tile's® attractive appearance and ensure maximum life for your floor.
Regular light cleaning is preferable to infrequent heavy cleaning.
- After sweeping, any type of mop and general purpose cleaning detergent may be used to clean your Lock-Tile® floor. However in order to obtain best results and maximum life from your floor we recommend using a micro fiber mop system with twin compartment bucket available from most hardware or janitorial supply centers, together with a neutral PH cleaning detergent such as “Fabuloso® all purpose cleaner”.
For larger areas a cylindrical scrubber dryer may be used.

MAINTENANCE

- Although Lock-Tile® is resistant to oil and most chemicals (see technical specification sheet) Nonetheless, it is prudent to remove any spillages as soon as possible.