



## **ReCover™ Organic flooring - Installation Instructions**

### **General Notes:**

- The proper condition of the floor covering is to be inspected prior to installation.
- We fundamentally guarantee that the merchandise delivered to you stems from the same lot.
- Vorwerk ReCover coverings can be laid on all substrates prepared for installation.
- The substrate must be firm, able to bear loads, continuously dry and even.
- Recognized national regulations, directives and guidelines apply.

### **Floor covering preparation:**

- Acclimate ReCover to the room climate stated below at least 24 hours prior to installation, at best in the rooms where installation is to take place.
- Cut the appropriate lengths of flooring while leaving a spare additional length of approx. 3.0 cm (ie: 1-1/4").
- Roll up the cut lengths and acclimatize the floor covering in an upright position while taking the climatic conditions prevailing in the rooms into consideration.

### **Room climate conditions:**

The room temperature for storing and working with the merchandise must be at least 18 °C. The same applies for all materials and auxiliary substances (adhesives etc.). The relative humidity should not exceed 65%, and the temperature of the subflooring should not be below 15 °C (ie: 59°F).

### **Installation Procedure:**

1. Lay out the previously acclimatized flooring lengthwise with an overlap of about 2.0 cm per length to account for cutting the seams later on.

**Important Note:** The factory edges are always to be cut off prior to installation. In the case of wood decors, attention is to be paid to the repeat pattern. When cutting the seam, attention is to be paid that the cut runs directly alongside the wood joint and that the wood joint is retained on the other side. If it has been envisaged to join the flooring at a later stage, the seam cut should run directly within the wood joint.

2. Now lay or roll out the lengths back towards the center of the room. Then use the appropriate notched rake, e.g. as recommended by a technical commission for construction adhesives, to spread the wet-bed adhesive approved by Vorwerk evenly and length by length according to the adhesive manufacturer's instructions. Allow the adhesive to air as instructed by the manufacturer. Now lay the flooring onto the adhesive bed. Afterwards, carefully work the flooring smoothly into the adhesive by means of a suitable flooring rubber (e.g. from tool manufacturer Wolff).

**Important Note:** Subsequent rolling of the flooring using a segmented roller weighing at least 45 kg should take place around 20 – 30 minutes after the flooring has been rubbed into the adhesive. Now roll the flooring working from the opposite side, too. Avoid shifting the adhesive network. After the appropriate airing time, slide the flooring length by length onto the adhesive bed and carefully rub the flooring smoothly in.



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3. **Seam cut:** Use a suitable seam cutter (e. g. “Linocut”) to cut the seam directly after laying, rubbing in and smoothing the flooring. Leave about 0.3 mm of spacing, then press the seams together once again with a seam roller.
4. Once the entire area has been laid and the seams have been cut, the area and all edge regions ought to be completely rolled or rub-smoothed down once again.

**NOTE:** A heat-welded sealing of the seam edges is generally recommended. This may be performed no sooner than 24 hours after installation or once the adhesive has set completely (manufacturer’s instructions).

**Heat-welded joint:**

Groove the flooring at least 2.0 mm deep and a maximum 3.5 mm wide along the joint route. Joints in edge regions are to be expanded to the appropriate width and depth using a suitable pull hand groover. Set the hot-air welding gun to about 450 °C. Use a 5.0 mm speed welding nozzle to introduce the welding rod. While the welding rod is still hot, use the spacing plate on the skiving knife (e. g. Mozart heat weld trimmer & skiving knife) to trim away half of the welding rod. Allow the remaining excess welding rod to cool off completely, then use the skiving knife without spacing plate to trim it down evenly with the wear & tear layer of the flooring.

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