APPLICATION TECHNIQUES



All CRAFT floors are suitable for installation above, on, or below ground levels.

BEFORE Installation



Refer to NWFA's comprehensive Jobsite Conditions and Preparation information craftfloor.com/nwfajobsite.pdf

APPLICATION:		Floating Installation			Fastener with Partial Glue-down Installation			Full Glue-down Installation					
SUBSTRATE:		Plywood, OSB or Concrete			Plywood or OSB						Concrete		
LOCATION:		Above Grade	Below Grade	On Grade	Above Grade	Below Grade	On Grade	Above Grade	Below Grade	On Grade	Above Grade	Below Grade	On Grade
ENCORE 5/8" thick DACS II Construction	7"	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	8"	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
PRESTIGE 3/4" thick DACS II Construction	7"				√	√	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	8"				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Site Preparation

To ensure a successful installation, attention must be paid to the jobsite conditions, with important requirements (see below) met.

Please refer to NWFA's comprehensive Jobsite Conditions and Preparation information as captured in the link in the left column for a thorough explanation of the jobsite requirements.

Wood floor installation should be the very last step of any construction or renovation project.

Evaluation of Jobsite Conditions

Before installation, inspect the jobsite thoroughly to determine if the jobsite conditions are acceptable.

Check the following:

- ☐ Flooring will not be exposed to excessive periods of extreme high or low levels of humidity.
- ☐ Crawl spaces are well cross-ventilated and the ground is 100% covered with 6 mil black poly and a minimum of 18″ to the underside of the joists.
- □ Vents are located throughout the foundation (a minimum of two) and open year-round, with total openings equal to 1.5% of the square foot area of the crawl space. (Eq: a 1000 sq. ft. crawl space should have a total of 15 sq. ft of vent space.)
- ☐ The building is closed in, with outside windows and doors installed.
- All work involving water or moisture (plumbing, plaster/drywall, ceiling and wall finishes, painting, etc.) has been finished with enough time to allow complete drying prior to installation of the flooring.
- ☐ Exterior grading is complete and is sloping away from the building. Gutters and downspouts are in place and directing water away from the foundation.
- ☐ Prior to installation, the heating system has been operational for one week, continually maintaining a minimum temperature of 22°C (72°F).
- ☐ Relative humidity (RH) must be 30–50%.
- ☐ Evaluate and record the jobsite conditions. Multiple measurements of the following conditions (taken from various locations) must be taken and recorded for future reference: subfloor moisture content (MC), wood flooring MC, relative humidity (RH) and room temperature.

