

General Advice

Subfloor preparation for, and installation of, 2mm Forbo Heterogeneous Vinyl must be carried out in accordance with NZS1884-2013 "Resilient sheet and tiles - laying and maintenance practices" As with all resilient floor coverings, bases should be clean, smooth, sound and permanently dry.

Adhesives

For standard installations Forbo Fix 540 adhesive Uzin KE 2000S or ARDEX AF 2365 or similar are recommended. Only spread sufficient adhesive that can be covered within the specified open time. Step should be rolled with a 68 kg roller as soon as possible after laying and within the open time of the adhesive – the open time of the adhesive will depend on site conditions and porosity of the base. Always clean away excess adhesive with a damp cloth before it is allowed to dry.

Direction of laying

The following installation advice should be followed in relation to direction of sheet laying.

All over/Uni designs;

Palette, contrast, Concrete, Stone, Marble, Smaragd, Sand, Metal

Reverse installation of alternate sheet lengths is required.

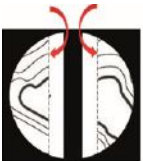


Directional designs:

Wood, Weave, Slate, Topography



Sheet lengths are to be installed in the same direction.



Hybrid Wood Concrete and Topography designs ranges have cutting lines printed in the material to allow trimming to ensure pattern matching.

Topography example: The cutting lines for seams of Topography are indicated in the design (red arrows show the lines where the flooring needs to be trimmed).

Coved Skirtings

Forbo heterogeneous can be used in conjunction with standard PVC set in coved skirting or site formed using standard techniques with cove former or pencil coved. If coving is being used for Wood, topography or natural designs, the optimum visual effect will be achieved by laying with a border cove either in the same design or with a contrasting uni colour /all over design.

Seam Welding

All seams should be hot welded. Matching coloured weld cables are available for the full Eternal/Modul'up range.

Perimeter Sealing

In areas subject to wet spillages or cleaning methods the following advice should be followed: Where the floor covering is flat laid without coved skirting the perimeter edges should be sealed with a suitable waterproof and mould resistant flexible sealant. This should also be applied at abutments such as architraves together with any areas where pipes, etc. come up through the floor covering.

Underfloor heating

As with all Forbo floor coverings, Eternal can be used in conjunction with under-floor heating systems. A separate guidance note "Installation of Forbo PVC and Linoleum Floor Coverings on Underfloor Heating Systems" provides more information on the conditions for installation in such circumstances.

Points to note

Newly laid floors should be protected from heavy traffic for 24 hours and from point loading and wheeled traffic for five day