

# FLUFF CORD TILE/DESIGNER TILE II

## INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

### RECESSED INSTALLATIONS

1. When installing tile in recessed areas or depression, sweep area free of dirt. "Dry Fit" tile by snapping a center line through the width of the area and arrange one row of tile in a parquet pattern across the width until there is less than a 12" space remaining. Measure this space remaining and divide the number of inches by 2. This will determine the width of the finishing strip or the cut tile to be used at each end of the installation. (Example: If a row of tiles is placed the width of the area and there is a 9" area uncovered;  $9" \div 2 = 4-1/2"$ ; the width of the finishing strip or cut tile to be installed on each end will need to be  $4-1/2"$ ).
2. Starting at the center line, arrange one row of tiles the length of the installation area and follow the same procedure as in paragraph #1.
3. Before the installation is cemented in place, the finishing strips or cut tile should be fitted for both the width and the length.
4. If the surface area is poor or requires sealing against hydrostatic conditions, use a Cleaner-Sealer as directed on the label.
5. Trowel adhesive over the area where tile is to be installed. Apply adhesive evenly to the floor, using the recommended trowel. Spread only enough adhesive (TT-390) to maintain a wet adhesive surface – do not allow adhesive to skin over (see full instructions on adhesive label). Place tile in adhesive in a parquet pattern beginning at the center. (With Fluff Cord Tile, peel away protective white paper covering on back of tile, exposing solid adhesive base.)
6. Walk, roll down, or hammer tiles with rubber mallet to obtain the best bond. If tile is not placed before adhesive sets, the bond will not be effective. Remove tile, apply fresh adhesive over existing adhesive, then re-apply tile.
7. Re-check all installed tile for loose corners or edges – tap down.
8. Use Paint Thinner or Mineral Spirits to clean off excess adhesive before it dries.

NOTE: If weather is hot, dry or windy, adhesive will set up faster. Cool damp weather delays setting of adhesive.

### SURFACE INSTALLATIONS

1. If tiles are to be installed on the surface, chalk mark the area to be covered to determine boundaries.
2. Follow the same instructions as for RECESSED INSTALLATIONS shown above.
3. Surface installations should have a beveled edging strip. If edging is to be used, miter the corners, and "dry fit" in place. Install edging with contact or epoxy adhesive. Tap firmly to bond to the surface by using flat of hand or rubber mallet. Adhere tile to lip of beveled edging strip that fits under tile.

### ADHESIVE RECOMMENDATIONS

We recommend our trowel-on TT-390 Non-flammable adhesive or an Epoxy adhesive.

Neoprene Contact adhesive can be used for small installations or where traffic will move across the tile less than 24 hours after installation. (Any good contact adhesive will bond tiles to floor. Contact adhesives are difficult to work with on large floor areas.)

CAUTION: It is extremely IMPORTANT that there be AMPLE VENTILATION when using the Paint Thinner, Mineral Spirits, Cleaner-Sealer, or Adhesive.