

LINEAR TILE INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

Use plumb lines to lay out tile pattern. Lay out tile pattern from center of room such that tiles at perimeter are wider than 6 inches. Install tiles in decorative patterns using different colors, if applicable, as shown on drawings and approved shop drawings. Scribe tile to walls and other vertical appurtenances to produce tight joints. When cutting, use a power saw to create clean, straight edges. Interlock tiles by forcing male tabs into female receptacles, using rubber mallet or similar tool to assemble. Ensure tightness. Interlock edge ramps with tiles using male tabs and female receptacles. At corners, provide corner ramp sections.

Expansion Information for Linear Tiles

Linear Tiles may expand or contract a nominal amount if exposed to extreme temperature changes. The following information is a basic guideline on the amount of border spacing that should be left when installing Linear Tiles. When referring to Fahrenheit temperatures, the following three terms are used:

Hot Temp
(90 degrees +)

Cold Temperature
(10 degrees or below)

Room Temperature
(Approx. 65 degrees)

****Important**** Tiles should be at room temperature before installing.

For tiles installed in a room (and where temperature **will not** vary much below the hot or cold extremes listed above) install the tiles up to the wall edges leaving no more than a 1/16" gap.

For tiles installed in a room (and where the temperature **will** vary below the hot and cold extremes listed above) install the tiles with up the edge of the wall or entrance leaving no more than a 1/8" gap.

These guidelines can be used when installing 50 to 250 square feet of Turtle Tiles. When installing more than 250 square feet, add another 1/16" to the gap.

In summary, leaving a 1/16th to an 1/8th of an inch spacing from the tiles to the wall will accommodate possible expansion and/or contraction of Linear Tiles in most temperature environments.