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Installation Check List

Before the Install crew arrives

1. The building should be completely closed in, with outside doors and windows in place.
2. All other trades should be finished if the flooring material is a pre finished product. No other floor traffic should be allowed. If this is a job finish product, all wet trades should be finished.
3. Air conditioning and heating should be working. Turn off while work is in progress, turn back on in the evenings to help keep your floor at normal living conditions. This helps control temperature and humidity.
4. Remove furniture, pictures, curtains, appliances, tv/stereos, and any other items you do not want dust to settle on.
5. If you desire to have your kitchen cabinets covered, please tape around door and drawer openings. Loose plastic will be sucked into our sanding equipment and pulled off cabinets. When plastic is taped to the top of upper cabinets and under the edge of toe spaces it will be very loose at the level we are trying to work. Using blue masking tape around these openings avoids this problem.
6. To contain dust, you may hange sheets thumb tacked to outer edges of the door casings. Use plastic or old sheets to cover doors on the opposite side of the floor being sanded. Don't tape to the floor being sanded. Trying to cover areas that are open from the ceiling to floor is often frustrating and can cause damage to ceilings. This covering usually falls down within a 1/4 day due to the weight of the plastic. Zip walls are an alternative option, but can do ceiling damage.
7. Sometimes it is better to plan on having a cleaning crew out after the job is finished.
8. Do not have the final coat of paint on base boards. You will get a better job planning on a light coat of paint after we have finished. Sometimes there will be one or two spots that need touch up on walls.
9. Plan your job so a pre finished floor is at the end of a job. The only trades left to work might be carpet being installed (about the same time as us) and paint touch after we are finished. We are often asked if other people can work in the same area. People walking across a freshly glued down floor will cause cracks between boards and is an expensive mistake/disaster. My answer is always no.
10. Our crews should not be asked to go into a home with a dog left home alone.

Installation Expectations

1. If this is a glue down pre finished product, there will be dust when we prepare the slab/plywood for the installation.
2. When you receive your proposal, one of the items listed is how much we charge for a bag of floor stone, used to level slabs. If you have an existing floor cover in place when we bid your job we cannot give a firm bid for leveling your slab. When existing floor material is removed we can use a level to make sure the slab is within acceptable tolerances for a wood floor. If your slab is not within this acceptable tolerance we will call you to discuss the number of bags of floor stone required.
3. The first day is usually devoted to the slab preparation, (sanding paint, Sheetrock mud, and slab leveling). Sanding does cause dust. If the slab has a heavy coat of paint or glue to remove this could cause this process to extend into the second day or even a third day depending on the square footage to be installed.
4. When removing ceramic tile it's hard to give an accurate estimate of time. If the product is not glued down well, removal is quick. If the product is properly glued, removal can be very slow.
5. We can install about 300 - 350 square feet of flooring a day depending on job conditions. If we have halls that have three or four doors, that takes longer. If the rooms are fairly open and do not contain a lot of small

areas, installation goes faster. Size and shapes of the rooms affects the amount of time it takes to install flooring.

6. Each day we clean and haul trash from our job sites.

7. The last day of work for a prefinished floor will include: installation of shoe mold, reducers, and final cleaning of your new floor.

For nailed down flooring or other solid material, we will clean the job and leave, allowing the flooring to acclimate two weeks. During this time, you may walk and live on the floor, being especially careful to avoid spills of any kind. We will schedule the sand and finish after the two week acclimation period.

Upon completion of installation of engineered, unfinished flooring, we allow one to two days for the glue to cure before beginning the sand and finish process.