


INTERNATIONAL CFI
CERTIFIED FLOORING INSTALLERS

Floor Preparation Wood Substrates and Asbestos Rules

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Overview

- Asbestos Engagement
- Alternative Options
- Wood Underlayment
 - Installation



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Do You Suspect Asbestos Material?

YES!

Asbestos Material Suspected
(6x6, 12x12, or Sheet Vinyl from 1985 or earlier)

NO!

Asbestos Material NOT Suspected
(6x6, 12x12, or Sheet Vinyl from 1986 or later)



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Do You Suspect Asbestos Material?

YES!
Asbestos Material Suspected
(9x9, 12x12, or Sheet Vinyl from 1985 or earlier)

Can you complete the installation without disturbing the material?
(i.e. not pulverized, sanded, scraped, or sanded)
Read on how to assess, identify, abate, and your professional experience.

NO!
Asbestos Material NOT Suspected
(9x9, 12x12, or Sheet Vinyl from 1986 or later)

COMPLETE INSTALLATION




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IF YES

YES!
I can complete install without disturbing the material.

COMPLETE INSTALLATION
Tell the customer about the asbestos abatement, read and that you can complete the installation without disturbing the material.



NO!
I cannot complete install without disturbing the material.

STOP

CALL MARKET INSTALLATION MANAGER

DO NOT DISTURB
The local tile or manager will call the customer about the potential asbestos, and that you cannot complete the installation until the customer will not:
1) Provide any sand or scraping the material or cut asbestos, or
2) An asbestos abatement contractor abates the asbestos and provides a clean air test date.

COMPLETE INSTALLATION
After abatement and once at your State of safe working air conditions, you can complete the installation.

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Alternative Options



- Consider a Floating Floor Option
- Use a Floating Underlayment if Applicable
- Most Importantly, DO NOT DISTURB!




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Wood Underlayment



- Must be rated for floor covering.
- Must have installation instructions.
- Must carry a manufacturer warranty.
- **LUAN IS NOT AN ACCEPTABLE UNDERLAYMENT!**

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Wood Underlayment Installation Tools




18 Gauge Narrow Crown Stapler Orbital Sander

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