

Installation Methods - Adhesive Recommendations

The right choice of installation materials and accessories is essential to guarantee the quality and overall durability of Edward Fields' luxury rugs and carpets. The appropriate specification of adhesives should be selected according to installation type, underlay type, opening time and working time.

Appropriate open time varies depending upon environmental conditions, substrate porosity, backing system and adhesive type. Refer to the adhesive manufacturer for requirements regarding open/tack time.

Working time (also referred to as slip time) is the length of time after applying the adhesive to make adjustments or manipulate the carpet without negatively impacting the permanent bond.

Edward Fields recommends high quality adhesives with low VOC emissions from known brands such as Mapei and Stikatak.

Mapei ULTRABOND ECO 170 is a recommended adhesive in water dispersion with a quick, strong initial bond and very low emission level of volatile organic compounds (VOC), specially formulated for textile flooring.

The range of Stikatak Double Stick Adhesives have also been developed in conjunction with Durafit Underlay, such as STK900 for permanently bonding carpet to underlay and STK 950 Tackifier Adhesive for a removable bonding of underlay to the flooring substrate.