



## Hardwood Flooring



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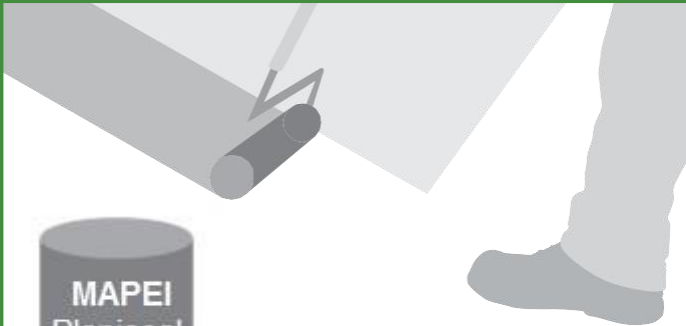
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Before you begin installation, remember to P.A.C.E. yourself with the checklist below. Full installation instructions and maintenance guidelines can also be found online at [www.bamboodesignarchitecture.ca](http://www.bamboodesignarchitecture.ca)

### PREPARE THE SUBFLOOR



**MAPEI Planiseal VS**

**Use Planiseal® VS on concrete**

Make sure the subfloor is flat, level, clean and free of debris. New concrete must be cured for at least 60 days. Test the subfloor moisture prior to installation and apply an appropriate moisture barrier such as Mapei Planiseal® on concrete subfloors.

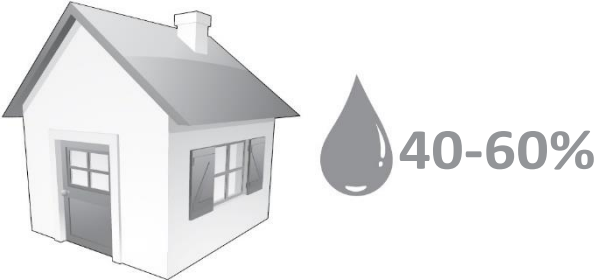
### ACCLIMATE FLOORING



**Acclimate your Solid flooring for at least 5 days**

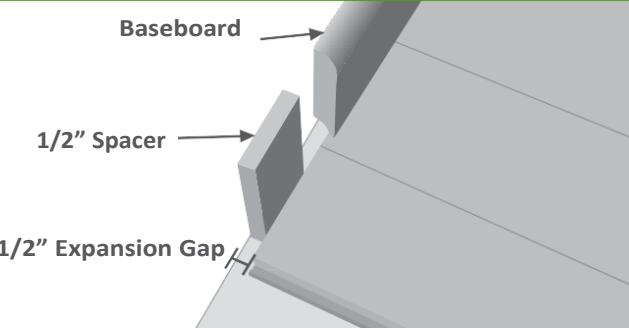
Cross-stack flooring on a pallet, mixing boards from each box. Acclimate your floor as close to the installation area as possible, for at least 5 days in normal living conditions. More time is necessary in extreme climates.

### CONTROL ENVIRONMENT



As a general rule, the ideal indoor humidity range for hardwood is 40-60% relative humidity. **In some climates or households, the average humidity range may be higher or lower.** That's okay! In this case, simply extend the acclimation period, and maintain humidity levels at normal living conditions set during acclimation.

### EXPANSION GAPS



**Baseboard**

**1/2" Spacer**

**1/2" Expansion Gap**

Leave at least 1/2" expansion spaces between flooring and ALL vertical objects (walls, cabinets, pipes, etc.) Large flooring runs may require additional expansion space. For floating floors, use transition moldings between rooms and in doorways. Undercut door jambs and casings to provide adequate expansion space. Do not screw or nail cabinetry or other permanent fixtures to a floating floor.