

G.S. Floor Designs
Home Depot
Kansas City Market
Expeditor Meeting



Agenda

- Carpet binding Process
- Delivery Process
- Measures
 - Commercial
 - Backsplash
- Installation Guidelines
- Processes
- Chargeback Information
- Contact Information
- Website



Carpet Binding



Carpet Binding

- > To figure amount of binding needed for square or rectangle carpet, calculate the length of carpet x 2 plus width of carpet x 2
 - > For round carpet, multiple the diameter x 2.14 = linear foot needed of binding
- Binding color is chosen to compliment the rug unless otherwise indicated by customer
- Please allow at least one week for binding to be completed and rug to be delivered to store for customer pick-up
 - Service charges apply for home delivery and set-up by Foreman



Delivery Process



Delivery Process

- Why a new delivery process?
 - More efficient service for Home Depot stores & customers
 - Reduction of fuel costs
- When does this process take effect?
 - Immediately



Delivery Process Steps

- Send email to kcdelivery@gsfloor.com (preferred method of communication)
 - Include following information in email message:
 - ✓ Purchase Order number
 - ✓ Customer Name and phone number
 - ✓ Product type and quantity
- If you cannot access email, please fax information to (816) 556-0705,

ATTENTION: Deliveries

 Please follow up with Facility Manager Matt Smith to ensure that your request was received



Delivery Process Guidelines

- General guidelines
 - All requests for pick-up or drop-off must be received no later than 12:00 pm the day before
 - All pick-ups must be ready for loading when Driver arrives at store
 - Driver will check-in at Service Desk and wait for up to 15 minutes
 - ✓ Any product/order not ready within 15 minutes will be pushed to the following week's schedule
 - Driver works alone please be prepared to assist in loading/unloading product
 - Please be sure all carpet is cut per MeasureComp drawing



Delivery Process Guidelines, con't

- If you have not sent a email or fax request the day before, Driver will not stop at your store
- Stores will not be called prior to arrival
- Daily scheduled pick-up not run in specific order
- No longer able to provide store to store product transfers
- Pre-cut carpet should be rolled around a tube with nap to inside
- Sheet vinyl should be rolled around a tube with pattern on outside of roll



Delivery Schedule

Monday

Bannister Mall 3016 3026 Lees Summit **Belton** 3029 3006 Independence 3024 Blue Springs Midtown Kansas 3021

Wednesday

2201	Olathe
2202	Merriam
2209	S Overland Park
2213	Shawnee
2218	S Olathe
2203	N Overland Park

Friday

2216	Leavenworth
3008	Gladstone
8460	N Kansas City
3019	Liberty



Measures



Commercial Measures

- Who handles commercial measures?
 - If job is beyond the Measure Comp scope/size, G.S. Floor Designs will measure
 - Measure fee is \$100
- Information needed
 - Product selection very important!
 - No product detail is too small size of tile, thickness of pre-finished wood, etc.
 - Pattern match, if applicable
- Time Frame
 - Customer called same day request received
 - Calculation after measure may require up to 72 hours on larger jobs



Installation Guidelines



Carpet Guidelines

Take-Up

- If customer removing existing carpet, staples need to be removed prior to installer arriving at jobsite
- Remind customer to check with waste removal service to confirm carpet will be picked-up

Furniture

- Small items, electronics, antiques, etc. should be removed prior to installation
- Pianos, pool tables, exercise equipment cannot be moved by installation crew

Customer Contact

- Day of installation contact (phone number) very important
- Customer must remain on-site during entire installation

Installation

- Customer should expect slight scuffing of baseboards and/or walls normal during installation
- If customer lives in high-rise building or jobsite is difficult to reach, hard access fee will be applied



Hardwood & Laminate Guidelines

- Product must acclimatize to jobsite for at least 72 hours
- Moisture test will be completed prior to installation
 - Too much moisture will delay installation until remedied
- No wood product is recommended for a bathroom or laundry room due to moisture issues
- Laminate or floating floors require flatter floor than nail-down wood installations
- > Laminate or hardwood used on stairs should have flush mount nosings available
 - Stairs should be inspected prior to installation to ensure product compatibility
- Customer should be aware of humidity requirements for all wood products
- > Any type of borders, inlays or special designs should be discussed prior to quote or installation



Vinyl Guidelines

- Acclimation of all vinyl product is required to ensure correct installation
- Sheet vinyl may require seams
 - Seam layout should be discussed with and approved by customer
- Pattern Match
 - Should be indicated on measure request if applicable
- Floor Prep
 - Concrete sub-floor must be skim-coated for proper adhesion of glue
 - Plywood sub-floor requires underlayment prior to vinyl installation
 - Existing vinyl can be installed over provided new floor will not be third layer and old vinyl has been treated with embossing leveler to avoid pattern transfer and ensure flatness
- > Allure
 - Floor prep my be required to fix cracks ¼ inch or larger or unevenness in sub-floor



Ceramic Guidelines

- Custom pattern should be discussed prior to measure request
 - Straight lay, diagonal, dots/decos, murals, etc. the more information, the better
- Product selection
 - Size and type of tile (ceramic, stone, etc)
 - Grout color
- Backsplash Installation
 - > Again, product selection and pattern should be discussed prior to measure
 - > Tile can be installed over painted drywall, not considered a "wet area"
- > Granite or marble "open ends" require polished edge



Miscellaneous Guidelines

- Cove Base
 - "Self-stick" base only sold as a DIY product
- Quarter Round
 - Customer must paint or stain prior to installation
- > Exterior Carpet
 - No rain forecast for 48 hours prior or after install for glue to set
 - Ambient temperature of at least 68 degrees for three days
- Custom Layout (all product)
 - Should be discussed with G.S. Floor Designs Estimating team prior to quote building
 - **❖** Majority of special designs require additional product
- Layers
 - Home Depot installs cannot be third layer due to height, sub-floor condition, possible asbestos issues and manufacturer guidelines
- > Sub-floor
 - Particle board can only install carpet or floating floor over this product
 - OSB suitable sub-floor for all flooring applications



Processes & Procedures



Initial Paperwork Process

- Purchase Order automatically received from your store the next business day after it is sold, Monday through Friday
 - Store Stock
 - ✓ Purchase Order printed and filed until Driver picks-up from store
 - Special Order Product
 - ✓ Purchase Order printed and filed until product arrives
 - F&I Carpet
 - ✓ Purchase Order printed and customer contacted for scheduling as soon as order arrives



Receiving Process

- Merchandise is received
 - Copy of work order, measure and a wavier printed and attached to order
 - Merchandise received in I-Bridge system
 - Merchandise received in GSFD system
- Contact customers
 - Every contact number listed on Purchase Order is attempted
 - Special Orders
 - ✓ Every customer is contacted within one business day of receiving product in our warehouse
 - ✓ Customer is contacted the same day we receive the product, depending on when received
 - Store Stock
 - ✓ Customer contacted the next business day after the material is received.



Scheduling Process

- Customer Schedules Install
 - I-Bridge updated with the installation date on the install and the pad PO's
 - Update internal RFMS system with the new install date
 - Paperwork goes in the scheduled drawer
- The day before the install date we do the following, carpet only
 - Run the carpet through the cutting machine, checking for any visible defects
 - Cut the carpet down to room size
 - ✓ Confirm that the carpet is the correct size



Day of Install

- Day of install
 - Every installer arriving at facility to pick-up work orders or material has badge verified
 - ✓ No work given to the installer if they have a crew member without a badge on them
 - Installer receives work orders for the day
 - Installer calls customer by 9:30 am and provides window of arrival
 - Material checked again as installers vehicle is loaded



How You Can Help

- > I-Bridge
 - Allow us enough time to process waivers correctly
 - Limit the notes that you are leaving
 - Exit the order when you are done working in it
 - Do not tell customer we have the material until you confirm it with us
 - ✓ Updated on a daily basis
- Help us by setting proper expectations
 - ✓ Do not over commit to the customer



How You Can Help, cont.

- Inform us of any changes made to the original Purchase Order
- Please email us a contact list for your store
 - ✓ Who do we contact if you are not available?
- Ensure customers understand how the removal and reinstall of plumbing fixtures will be handled
- Call us about any questionable measures
- List the finished size of all carpets that need to be bound
 - ✓ Allow additional six inches or full pattern match for best results
- Furniture Moving is 1 to 6 pieces per room, not multiple rooms



Chargeback Process



Chargeback Process

Verification

- All chargebacks are required to be submitted to G.S. Floor Designs before processing through Atlanta
 - ❖ This is to ensure we are being charged back <u>cost</u>, not *retail*, on either merchandise or labor
- Chargeback is reviewed and issued an authorization number that cannot be duplicated
- Once authorized, form is submitted to Atlanta for processing

Minimum Amount

- Minimum chargeback amount accepted is \$25
 - Under \$25 will be denied



Process Steps

- Chargeback Steps
 - Complete manual or electronic form
 - ❖ If using the e-form, do not click the "Submit" button
 - Write "TBD" in the notification field, save, print out form and fax to G.S. Floor Designs
 - o G.S. Needs to check Cost versus Retail
 - Verify reason for chargeback
 - ✓ Labor Chargeback what was the reason for chargeback?
 - ✓ Material need to specify how much product is involved
 - Nicole Crutchfield will email Expeditors with approval number needed to complete form



Chargeback Forms

Manual Form



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Contact Information

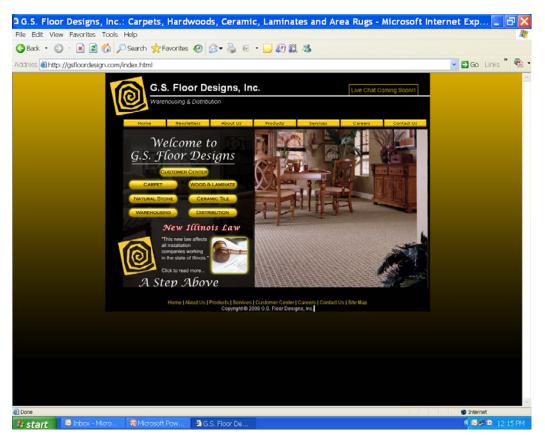
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Website

- To review this document or any training material available from G.S. Floor Designs, Inc. please visit www.gsfloor.com
 - Available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week





Frequently Asked Questions

- Why use Speedset instead of Flex Bond?
 - ✓ Speedset is used in small areas so that the installation and grouting can be completed the same day. Flex Bond is in the Home Depot specs as the mastic of choice
- Can existing quarter round be left in place during a carpet install?
 - √ Yes; if removed several issues arise
- Should new kitchen flooring be installed before or after the cabinets?
 - ✓ Cabinets installed after floor ease of installation, no damage to cabinets
 - Potential issue changing flooring in the future
 - ✓ Cabinets installed before floor less product needed,
 - Potential damage to cabinets, dishwasher/appliances replacement difficulties



Frequently Asked Questions, cont.

- Are there problems measuring backsplashes if countertops are not installed?
 - √ No; however, information about countertop and backsplash is needed
 - o Does new countertop have own backsplash?
 - o Does new tile backsplash have patterns?
- Why does measure take so long for G.S. Floor Designs as opposed to Measure Comp?
 - ✓ G.S. Floor Designs measures jobs that Measure Comp does not due to either large commercial quotes or detailed, custom jobs which does take longer to produce a correct quote
- Can we sell laminate/wood stair installations?
 - ✓ Yes, but installation may be restricted due to local code requirements. Requires inspection
- When does tackstrip need to be glued down?
 - √ When heated floor system is in place
 - ✓ Over ceramic tile
- What are the specific prices for Foreman services?
 - √ No; Foreman services are covered under the "Custom" charges