

# Guidelines for Installing Cabinets on TORLYS EverWood™ / EverTile™ and RigidWood™ / RigidTile™ Floors

**These guidelines are in addition to, not in lieu of, the current installation instructions for the product being installed. Refer to the primary installation instructions for full details on conditions and procedures.**

**\*NOTE:** If gluing down a TORLYS EverWood™/EverTile™ or RigidWood™ Vista floor, proceed to section 2.

**1) TORLYS EverWood™ / EverTile™ and TORLYS RigidWood™ / RigidTile™** products are designed to be installed as floating floors, which cannot be pinned. Normal expansion and contraction of the flooring must still be allowed to occur. Expansion/contraction space at the perimeter and all vertical obstructions must still be respected. Excessive total weight or concentrated loads can pin the floor and cause the same corresponding problems as insufficient expansion/contraction space, such as (but not limited to) buckling, gapping, peaking and damage to the joint system. Failure to accommodate the natural movement of the floating floor system will void TORLYS warranties. If you choose to install millwork or islands on top of our floors, please carefully review and follow the recommendations below.

Island counters must disperse the load across the entire base (not on small contact or pinch points) and can be no more than 1000 lbs. (454 kg). The island cannot be fastened to, or through, the floor covering. It is preferable that no utilities are supplied to the island from below, but if so, any pipes, wiring, ducting etc. shall be treated as a vertical obstruction and proper expansion/contraction space allowed around them. If the island must be installed on legs, these must be in contact with the subfloor, not on the floor covering, and the appropriate expansion/contraction space maintained around them.

Millwork such as cabinetry must be fastened to the wall and not into the floor. Again, the load on the floor should be dispersed so as not to pin the floor. Remember to leave the appropriate expansion/contraction space at the perimeter. Pipes, wiring, ducting etc. shall be treated as a vertical obstruction and proper expansion/contraction space allowed around them. If the millwork must be installed on legs for support, these must be in contact with the subfloor, not on the floor covering, and the appropriate expansion/contraction space maintained around them.

Since there are a considerable number of variables from jobsite to jobsite, and many differing millwork manufacturing techniques, these procedures are intended as a guideline only. The suitability of installing millwork or cabinets on top of the floor covering remains the responsibility of the floor covering installer.

Bear in mind that installing under millwork/islands limits repairability with the TORLYS Bulldog™ tool.

Like all floating floor suppliers, we always recommend installing the floor after millwork has been installed for simplicity. The expansion gap can be filled with a flexible silicone where trim will not cover the exposed gap.

**\*2) TORLYS EverWood™ / EverTile™ and RigidWood™ Vista** can alternatively be glued down using the appropriate TORLYS adhesive (RigidWood Premier and Elite cannot be glued down). When installing millwork/islands on these floors when glued down, all requirements in the corresponding glue down instructions must be followed, including the perimeter expansion space. The installation must be full-spread throughout. Millwork and islands can be installed on the flooring without further requirements for expansion/contraction space and can be fastened to, but not through, the floor covering.

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