

STEP ABOVE

Description

Step Above Flooring Underlayment minimizes airborne and structural borne (footfall) noise and significantly improves in-room sound quality. Step Above Flooring Underlayment is a composite of durable, dimensionally stable, cross-linked polyolefin resin and a 2-mil Polyethylene vapor barrier. Step Above Flooring Underlayment offers great protection against mold, mildew, and vapor transmission. Step Above Flooring Underlayment also provides thermal insulation performance to reduce cold floors and decrease energy loss. Please read instructions thoroughly before starting installation and if you have a question please do not hesitate to call **1-866-949-9269**.

General Installation Tips

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Base Preparation

I. General Information

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II. Job Site Condition

During installation, areas should be weather tight and a temperature of 65F (10C) should be maintained for 48 hours before, during, and after installation.

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III. Subfloor Preparations

- 1. All subfloors/substrates must be inspected prior to installation.
- 2. Install over concrete, approved self-leveling materials, and wood.
- 3. Wood subfloors should be double-construction with a minimum thickness of one inch. The floor must be ridged and free from movement with a minimum of 18 inches of well-ventilated air space below.
- 4. Concrete floors must be fully cured and permanently dry. Subfloor shall be dry, clean smooth, level, and structurally sound.
- 5. Mechanically remove all traces of old adhesives, paint, or other debris by scraping, sanding, or scarifying the substrate. DO NOT use solvents.
- 6. Grind all high spots until level and fill low spots with an approved patching/level
- 7. All saw cuts (control joints), cracks, indentations, and other non-moving joints in the concrete must be filled with an approved patching/leveling compound. Allow patching material to dry thoroughly.
- 8. Any concrete subfloor can be a source of moisture-related flooring failures. It is the installer's responsibility to test the concrete for moisture.

Installation

- I. Installing Step Above Flooring Underlayment
- 1) Subfloor surface must be clean and dry before installation.
- 2) Start in a corner. Unroll SolidBlack MD underlayment over the subfloor with vapor barrier film down against the subfloor. Be sure the tape strip side is next to the wall and the overlapping lip is toward the open room.
- 3) Roll out the next row in the same manner, butting foam close to the first row and covering the overlapping moisture barrier lip. Do not overlap the foam pad just the moisture barrier lip.



4)	Remove the tape liner and secure the overlapping moisture barrier to it. Continue with installation
Seal al	l open seams with aggressive adhesive plastic tape.

5) Install flooring per manufacturer's instructions.

