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VINYL WALL BASE



Roppe Ready Base is a thermoplastic vinyl (TV) wall base product that is as attractive as it is affordable. Ready Base is flexible and durable, allowing it to stand up to every day use in many applications. Ready Base is designed for use in both light commercial and residential wall base

applications. Ready Base is available in 4" heights and in cove or no toe to match a variety of flooring installations and application requirements.

Features

- Very Durable
- Extremely Flexible
- Very Economical
- Easy to Maintain

Technical Data

Toe Styles: Cove, No Toe

Nominal Base Height: 4" (101.6 mm)

Nominal Base Length: 48" Sections (1.22 m)

120' Rolls (36.58 m)

Nominal Base Thickness: 0.080" (2 mm)

1/8" (3.2 mm)

Carton Quantity: 30 Pieces / 1 Coil

Carton Weight: 33 lbs. (0.080")

38 lbs. (1/8")

Acclimation Time: 48 Hours

Storage & Acclimation Temperature: 65° - 85° F

Additional Information

Approved Adhesives

AW-510 Acrylic Wet-Set Adhesive WB-600 Acrylic Wall Base Adhesive C-630 Contact Adhesive

Availability, Cost & Samples

Roppe Flooring products are sold through distribution. To locate the nearest distributor, visit **roppe.com** or send an e-mail to **support@roppe.com**.

Technical Documents & Support

Additional product resources and technical documents are available online at **roppe.com**. For additional technical support, send an e-mail to **solutions@rhctechnical.com**.

1. PRE-INSTALLATION CHECKLIST

- Consult all associated product literature concerning installation and warranty prior to installation.
- Allow all trades to complete work prior to installation.
- Deliver all materials to the installation location in its original packaging with labels intact.
- Inspect all materials to ensure there is no damage.
- Do not stack pallets to avoid damage.
- Ensure installation area and material storage temperatures are between 65° F (19° C) and 85° F (30° C) and 40% - 65% RH for at least 48 hours before, during and after installation.

- Ensure HVAC system is operational and fully functioning at normal operating conditions 48 hours prior to, during and 48 hours after installation.
- Protect installation area from extreme temperature changes, such as heat and freezing, as well as direct sunlight for at least 48 hours before, during and after installation.
- Do not proceed with installation until all conditions have been met.

2. PRODUCT LIMITATIONS

Product carries no warranty, whether expressed or implied, whatsoever. This technical data sheet is for guidance purposes only. Do not install materials

over existing wall base, flash-coved rubber, vinyl or linoleum flooring, cork, or asphaltic materials. Do not install wall base materials in outdoor areas and in or around commercial kitchens. Do not install in areas that may be subjected to sharp, pointed objects. Do not allow product to be directly exposed to extreme heat sources, such as radiators, ovens or other high-heat equipment. May be susceptible to staining from harsh disinfectants, cleaning agents, dyes or other harsh chemicals - ensure all chemicals and materials that may come in contact with wall base will not stain, mar or otherwise damage the material prior to use.



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3. SUBSTRATE PREPARATION

All substrates must be clean, smooth, permanently dry, flat, and structurally sound. Substrates must be free of visible water or condensation, dust, sealers, water-based / acrylic paint, residual adhesives and adhesive removers, solvents, wax, oil, grease, asphalt, gypsum compounds, visible alkaline salts or excessive efflorescence, mold, mildew and any other extraneous coating, film, material or foreign matter. Substrate must be a structurally sound interior wall surface, such as dry plaster, cured drywall, fiber-reinforced plastic (FRP) panels, fiberglass, exterior grade plywood (Group 1, CC type), concrete, metal and masonry. Any cracks, voids, divots, grout lines and imperfections must be filled with a patch or filler suitable for the substrate.

When installing directly over a resinous products, such as an epoxy paint, ensure that coating is dry to the touch and has cured for the prescribed length of time. Substrate must be clean, dry, sound and free of contaminates. Material to be installed over non-porous substrates, such as epoxy paint, FRP panels or fiberglass, must be installed with the Excelsior C-630 Contact Adhesive.

Metal substrates must be thoroughly sanded/ground and cleaned of any residue, oil, rust and/or oxidation. Substrate must be smooth, flat and sound prior to installation. When installing in areas that may be subject to topical water or moisture and/or high humidity, an anti-corrosive coating must be applied to protect metal substrate. Contact a local paint or coating supplier for coating recommendations. Install wall base within 12 hours after sanding/ grinding to prevent re-oxidation. Metal substrates are non-porous - follow all installation instructions, trowel sizes and flash times for non-porous substrates.

4. WALL BASE INSTALLATION

Prior to installation, ensure wall base material has been properly acclimated and that ambient conditions are within normal operational ranges. Ensure substrate is suitably prepared prior to installation, as manufacturer is not responsible for substrates that have not been properly prepared. Ensure adhesive is approved for use with wall base material and that proper trowel or applicator type and size is used, as manufacturer is not responsible for any and all adhesion issues related to improper adhesive selection or usage.

Cut wall base to desired length and fit tightly against corner blocks or allow for job-site formed corners detailed in section 5.

Apply adhesive to the back of the wall base per adhesive instructions, ensuring that wet-set adhesives do not come within 1/4" of the top of the wall base. Install wall base to substrate, ensuring that wall base material is not stretched or over-compressed during installation. Stretching material or over-compressing seams and corners may cause wall base to shrink and/or curl/delaminate, respectively.

Periodically lift material to ensure proper adhesive transfer - adhesive should cover 90% of tile. Using a suitable hand roller, carefully roll material in the direction of the last piece installed with a hand roller within 30 minutes of installation.

Ready Base installations can be enhanced by using Roppe's matching Colored Caulk to fill any voids or imperfections. Allow wall base to cure for the required period of time - do not disturb wall base installation until curing time is complete.

5. JOB-SITE FORMED CORNERS

Ensure substrate is suitably prepared prior to installation, as manufacturer is not responsible for substrates that have not been properly prepared. Ensure adhesive is approved for use with wall base material and that proper trowel or applicator type and size is used, as manufacturer is not responsible for any and all adhesion issues related to improper adhesive selection or usage.

OUTSIDE CORNERS

To create an outside corner on-site using wall base material, position wall base material firmly against the wall, allowing wall base to overhang corner in the direction that it will be installed. Use a pencil to mark the center of the corner

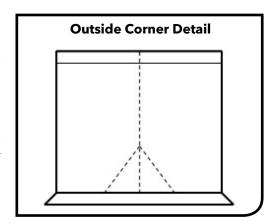
on the back of the wall base, ensuring pencil line is straight and runs from the top of the wall base to the base of the

Reposition wall base material on a flat, stable surface, backside facing up. Use a top-set gouge to create a center groove on the long side of the pencil line, removing ~30% of the wall base material. Ensure center groove is on the side of the line that is in the direction the wall base will be installed. Remove excess material from each side of the corner groove.

Use a pencil to mark 1" from the base of the toe on the center line. From the 1" mark, mark a straight line on a 45° angle to the base of the toe on either side of the center groove. Use the top-set gouge to cut two stress relief grooves along the pencil line. Use a knife to remove all excess material between the stress relief groove and the center groove.

While rolling to toe of the wall base up, fold wall base along center groove to form the corner. The top edge of the wall base should fit tight and flush to the wall's surface, while the toe should be rounded and sit flat on the surface of the floor.

Apply adhesive to the back of the wall base per adhesive instructions, ensuring that wet-set adhesives do not come within 1/4" of the top of the wall base, and install wall base to substrate.



INSIDE CORNERS - TOE

To create an inside corner using wall base material, position wall base material firmly against the wall and into the corner. Use a pencil to mark the center of



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the corner on the back of the wall base. and make note of wall base installation direction (from left to right or right to left). Reposition wall base material on a flat, stable surface, backside facing up. Prior to creating an inside corner, measure the distance from the end of the last piece of base installed to the inside corner. If the distance from the last piece of base installed and the corner is within 5', draw a center line 1/16" from initial center mark in the direction the wall base will be installed. If the distance is more than 5'. draw a center line 1/8" from initial center mark in the direction the wall base will be installed. Ensure pencil line is straight and runs from the top of the wall base to the base of the toe.

Use a top-set gauge to create a center groove along the center line. Remove excess material from each side of the center groove. Fold wall base along center groove to form the inside corner. Use a utility knife to cut a "V" into the toe from the base of the toe to the end of the toe. Ensure "V" is slightly less than 45° to avoid removing too much material. Remove material to create a triangular void so that wall base can be installed into corner without the toe overlapping. Make any final adjustments prior to installation.

Apply adhesive to the back of the wall base per adhesive instructions, ensuring that wet-set adhesives do not come within 1/4" of the top of the wall base, and install wall base to substrate. The top edge of the wall base should fit tight and flush to the wall's surface and previously installed wall base. Once properly positioned, apply firm pressure to the corner to adhere it to the wall. Roll wall base with a hand roller in the direction the material was installed.

INSIDE CORNERS - NO TOE

To create an inside corner on-site using wall base material, install one side of the inside corner as usual, ensuring that wall base is flush with adjoining wall. Without applying adhesive, position the

next section or coil of wall base on the adjoining wall with a \sim 1" gap from the installed material. Set a divider to the gap and move wall base material flush with the corner.

While applying firm pressure to the adjacent wall base corner with divider, mark the wall base with the divider to determine scribe line. Use a suitable knife to trim wall base along scribe mark. Install wall base as usual, ensuring that wet set adhesives do not come within 1/4" of the top of the wall base and do not squeeze out of wall base corner.

6. INITIAL MAINTENANCE

Ensure that adhesive has cured for recommended period of time prior to conducting initial maintenance. Remove any protective coverings prior to cleaning. Sweep, dust or wipe material to remove any dirt, dust or debris. DO NOT use vacuums or electric brooms which have beater bars, hard plastic bottoms, a rubber bumper or are lacking proper padding or protection, as this may cause marking, discoloration, scratching and loss of sheen. Do not use detergents, abrasive cleaners or "mop and shine" type products, as they will dull the finish and sheen of the material.

Mix 2-4 ounces of Excelsior NC-900 Neutral Cleaner per gallon of clean, potable water. Use a clean towel or cloth to apply cleaner to material. If heavily soiled, an additional cleaning may be required. Use clean towel or cloth to remove any and all excess cleaning solution. Rinse area with clean, cool water and allow material to dry entirely. Ensure material is clean and that all cleaning residue has been removed (this may require additional rinsing).

7. WARRANTY

Product carries no warranty, whether expressed or implied, whatsoever.

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