

INSTALLATION GUIDE KERNOWJET FLOORSHARK

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FloorShark is an ultra-tough polyester film with zero stretch, enabling very accurate panel joints.

The floor must be smooth, clean, dry and free of grease, silicone coatings and any residue, dust and debris. Application temperature of the floor surface range is 50° to 100°F (10° to 38°C).

Design advice

If covering a very large area, design the panels to be split on the shorter length e.g. if covering a 4m x 9m area, each panel should be 4m long plus bleed.

Allow at least 20 cm bleed on every side if covering a full floor area e.g. a plinth at a trade show and cut the excess after installation. KernowJet FloorShark can be applied using butt seams or overlap; if doing so, use up to 8cm overlap on joints.

Applying a small floor graphic

Small panels are quick and easy to apply without special technique.

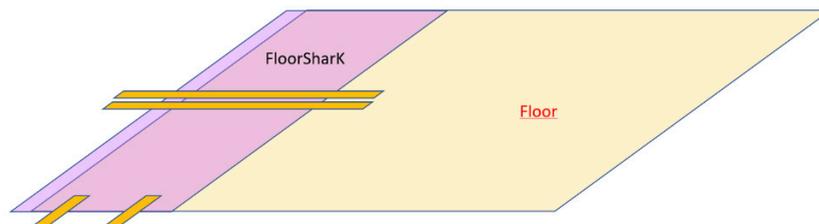
The following technique is strongly recommended for covering a large area with multiple panels.

Applying a large floor graphic

It is recommended that 2 people apply a large floor graphic.

Lay out the entire floor graphic - avoid aligning the edges of the graphic on grout lines of tiles - fix the first panel with masking tape in the exact position required. If applying in multiple panels, start on the left side and apply this panel first.

Create a tape hinge in the centre of the panel ensuring this hinge is firmly taped to the floor.



Tape half the panel down at the edges to ensure the panel cannot move, flip the other half over and remove the liner up to almost the tape hinge.

Carefully cut the liner with a sharp scalpel and discard. Without allowing contact to the floor, flip the other half of the panel back over and hold at circa 25 degrees to the floor and keep firm tension, a second person should use a 15-20 cm squeegee to apply the panel to the floor with steady pressure. Each stroke must be at 90 degrees to the run of the panel. Lift the other half of the panel and remove the remaining liner. Continue stroking edge-to-edge until the full panel is applied.

Position the second panel perfectly according to the print and repeat the procedure. Repeat until all panels are applied. Then cut the surplus with a sharp cutter. The application is not completed until you re-squeegee the edges and the corners. This ensures a good adhesion of the edges.

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Installation is very quick, easy and incredibly accurate if this hinge and squeegee method is used; ensuring perfect joins in the final printed artwork.

REMOVAL OF KERNOWJET FLOORSHARK®

KernowJet FloorShark has been developed to be suitable with the majority of smooth floors like tiles, concrete, laminate floors, carpet tiles etc. Ensure the floor finish is well bonded to the floor to avoid premature lifting of the graphic, or de-bonding of the floor finish from the floor when the graphic is removed. We recommend a small test if you have any doubts.

Remove the panels by lifting one edge and pulling it off at a sharp angle with smooth, even tension. A scraper, such as a putty knife, may be used to lift the edge if needed.

In the unlikely event that adhesive residue remains on the floor; simply remove with standard adhesive remover. Soak the adhesive residue with the adhesive remover spray and remove with a scraper.

As an alternative to adhesive remover, acetone or white spirit can be used. If using acetone or white spirit please consult with your H&S officer first, as you will have to carry out your own risk assessment on this method. After removing the bulk of the adhesive, soak a cloth with isopropyl alcohol and rub the floor to remove the final residue. Do not use isopropanol alcohol first as it will be ineffective.

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