

FOR USE WITH TRED-MOR® DUBL-STIK® PRODUCTS

DUBL-STIK® SYSTEM – ADHESIVES – SEAMING

The following general instructions for installing Tred-MOR® Commercial Carpet Cushions with the Dubl-STIK® installation technique are based on the CRI Carpet Installation Standard 104. These instructions may vary based on the carpet chosen for the installation, the conditions at the installation site, or the materials, such as adhesive, seam tape, seam adhesive, etc., chosen for the installation. It is important to select with care the quality of the materials and equipment to install the carpet and cushion using the Dubl-STIK method. It is very important to contact each manufacturer's installation specialists for their specific instructions for any product chosen for a Dubl-STIK installation.

- **CONSULT THE CARPET MANUFACTURER'S TECHNICAL INSTALLATION SPECIALIST FOR SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS.**
- **TIME SPENT IN PREPARATION CAN HELP ELIMINATE COSTLY CALL BACKS AND CUSTOMER DISSATISFACTION.**

NOTE: Black Poly-Tek Backing Goes to Floor! (When Rolls are Unrolled, the Floor Side is Down – Do Not Flip)

I. ADHERING CUSHION TO FLOOR

Pressure-Sensitive Adhesive:

The use of a pressure-sensitive adhesive, applied with a 1/16" width x 1/32" depth x 1/32" spacing notched trowel to ensure evenness of the application, is suggested for attaching the cushion to the floor. A short nap paint roller or the back of a trowel can also be used, but unevenness of application using these techniques could lead to difficulty in the removal of the installation. Failure to allow the proper curing time for the adhesive prior to installing the cushion could also lead to difficulty of removal. Consult your adhesive manufacturer for specific instructions.

Multi-purpose, PREMIUM-Quality Carpet Adhesive:

A premium-quality, multi-purpose adhesive can be used to install cushion to the floor, but it is not recommended because the removal of the installation will be extremely difficult.

II. ADHERING CARPET TO CUSHION

A. Most Woven Carpets or Tufted Carpets with Secondary Backing (Jute or Synthetic)

Multi-purpose, PREMIUM-Quality Carpet Adhesive

A premium-quality, multi-purpose adhesive is recommended for use between the cushion and carpet. It is important to select a trowel that applies enough adhesive to fill the recesses in the carpet backing and creates a 100% area bond between the carpet and the cushion. A minimum trowel notch size of 1/8" width x 1/8" depth x 1/16" spacing. "U" shape is recommended by most carpet and adhesive manufacturers. Using this trowel, the adhesive spread rate should be 6-8 square yards per gallon.

ADHESIVE WARRANTIES

Adhesives suitable for use with Tred-MOR Dubl-STIK installations can be obtained from a wide range of adhesive and carpet manufacturers. SCI does not recommend any individual adhesives or specific adhesive manufacturers. Each manufacturer has its own specific warranties and recommendations for using their products with Tred-MOR. SCI strongly urges you to consult the manufacturer of your choice for their warranties, recommended products, and installation instructions. The following list of manufacturers is intended only to provide information on how to contact these manufacturers for assistance, and is not meant to be all-inclusive. There are many suitable sources for your adhesives. SCI strongly urges you to contact the adhesive source of your choosing prior to commencing the Tred-MOR Dubl-STIK installation.

NAME	PHONE NO.
AAT	800-228-4583
APAC	800-747-2722
Ardex	888-512-7339
Bostik	800-726-7845
Capitol	888-875-5087
HP Fuller	800-621-0220
Mapei	800-992-6273
Milliken	800-241-4826
Royal	800-763-7272
Roberts/QEP	800-423-6545
W.F. Taylor(E)	800-868-4583
W.F. Taylor (W)	800-397-4583
W.W. Henry	888-512-7339



FOR MORE INFORMATION:
PHONE: 1-800-435-4062
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When the carpet has a woven-through back or tufted unitary back, including graphic patterns, a larger notch trowel may be necessary, along with other considerations. **Before attempting to install these carpets using the Dubl-STIK® method, check with both the carpet manufacturer and the adhesive manufacturer for their recommended products.**

Trowels are carefully calibrated measuring devices that must be properly chosen, then cleaned and maintained during the installation. Consult your adhesive manufacturer for specific instructions, including recommended trowel size.

Optimum adhesion of the carpet to the cushion is attained when the correct amount of adhesive is used. It is important to follow your adhesive manufacturer's guidelines for spread rates, open time, and trowel size. To be sure of proper coverage, spread glue in a small area with selected trowel. Press carpet into adhesive, peel back and check to see that the adhesive has penetrated up into recesses of the backing. All adhesives have specific open-times (open-time when installing certain types of carpet – example: woven-through back or tufted unitary backed, including graphic patterns, can be extremely important), so follow manufacturer's instructions closely to ensure optimum contact of adhesives between the cushion and the carpet. **Traffic must not be allowed on the entire installation for a minimum of 24 hours.** Movement of furniture, files, etc., should not be allowed onto the system for a minimum of 24-48 hours. Carpet and cushion should be protected by masonite, etc. **Plastic should not be used. (Improper cleaning methods or exposure to water or steam before adhesive is cured may cause weakening of the adhesive or shrinkage of the carpet.)** Check with the adhesive and carpet manufacturers and cleaning maintenance professionals for their recommendations.

It is generally recommended by adhesive and carpet manufacturers that, after sufficient open-time, the carpet should be pressed down into the adhesive using a section of carpet tube, a stiff bristle broom (not nylon) or a roller weighing no more than 50 lbs. **Caution: avoid excessive rolling.** (Special circumstances, such as overly stiff carpet and some woven and unitary backed carpet, may require a heavier roller or re-rolling.) Check with adhesive and carpet manufacturer for any special instructions.

Pressure-Sensitive Adhesives:

We do not recommend the use of pressure-sensitive adhesives between carpet and cushion. Check with your adhesive supplier before proceeding for their instructions and warranty.

B. Unitary Back Tufted Carpet or Any Carpet Not Covered Above:

Adhesive and trowel recommendations for use between the cushion and these carpets or backings should be obtained directly from your adhesive and carpet manufacturer. **The varieties of backings available are numerous and constantly changing; it is important that you check for each installation. Also check for recommendations on rolling the product.**

III. SEAMS

ALL SEAMS MUST BE SEALED USING A LATEX-TYPE SEALER OR SIMILAR PRODUCT, whether seam adhesive or hot melt tape is used. Recommendations as to whether to use seam adhesive or hot melt tape vary between carpet manufacturers, depending on the construction of the carpet and the backings used. Consult the carpet manufacturer's technical installation specialist for their specific instructions for the carpet you are installing.

A. Carpet Seam Adhesive

Follow the recommendations of your adhesive and carpet manufacturer. The purpose of this product is to join together the primary back of the two sections of carpet being attached to each other. This adhesive, when properly applied, will help prevent seam-splitting and tuft-unraveling.

B. Hot Melt Tape

Follow the recommendation of your carpet manufacturer. When using hot melt tape, follow the manufacturer's recommendations. Many tape manufacturers produce a low-profile tape specifically for Dubl-STIK installations.

CAUTION: Do not use a silicone-treated tape. The treatment will prevent the adhesive from adhering to the back side of the tape. Hot melt tape is generally recommended for carpet made with natural material and carpets susceptible to shrinkage.

SCI® does not warranty (either expressed or implied) the performance of any adhesive supplied by third parties.

SCI'S INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS COMPLY WITH CRI CARPET INSTALLATION STANDARD 104.

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