## **SECTION 09650**

## **RESILIENT FLOOR TILE**

## PART 1 - GENERAL

#### 1.1 SUMMARY

- A. This Section includes the following:
  - 1. Solid vinyl floor tile.
  - 2. Rubber floor tile.
  - 3. Vinyl composition tile (VCT).

#### 1.2 SUBMITTALS

- A. Product Data: For each product indicated.
- B. Samples: Full-size units of each color and pattern of resilient floor tile required.

#### 1.3 PROJECT CONDITIONS

- A. Maintain temperatures within range recommended by manufacturer, but not less than 70 deg F or more than 95 deg F, in spaces to receive floor tile during the following time periods:
  - 1. 48 hours before installation.
  - 2. During installation.
  - 3. 48 hours after installation.
- B. After post-installation period, maintain temperatures within range recommended by manufacturer, but not less than 55 deg F or more than 95 deg F.
- C. Close spaces to traffic during floor covering installation.
- D. Close spaces to traffic for 48 hours after floor covering installation.
- E. Install resilient products after other finishing operations, including painting, have been completed.

#### 1.4 EXTRA MATERIALS

- A. Furnish extra materials described below that match products installed and that are packaged with protective covering for storage and identified with labels describing contents.
  - Floor Tile: Furnish 1 box of LVT-2, glue down and 2 boxes of LVT-1, loose lay.

## PART 2 - PRODUCTS

- 2.1 LAMINATED VINYL TILE
  - A. Laminated vinyl tile (LVT)
    - 1. LVT-2: No substitutions, provide the following:
      - a. Karndean Knight Tile Stone, Color ST5 Soapstone 12" x 12". (To be used in the first floor entry vestibule, cross hall, elevator lobbies, corridors, public restroom, stair landings and elevator cab floor. Karndean International 1-888-266-4343.
    - 2. LVT-1: No substitutions, provide the following:
      - a. Kardean-VGW39-LL. Color: Antique Kairi, running parallel to cabinetry.
- 2.2 TOPSET BASE:
  - A. Johnsonite Vinyl cove base with toe.
    - 1. Color: 167 Fudge
  - B. Roppe
    - 1. Tub Mold: Roppe White tube mold.
- 2.3 TRANSITION STRIP
  - A. Johnsonite Transition Strip
    - 1. Track: MT-00-A
    - 2. T-Molding: CD-XX-C

### 2.3 INSTALLATION MATERIALS

- A. Trowelable Leveling and Patching Compounds: Latex-modified, portland cement based or blended hydraulic cement based formulation provided or approved by resilient product manufacturer for applications indicated.
- B. Adhesives: Water-resistant type recommended by manufacturer to suit resilient products and substrate conditions indicated.
  - 1. Use adhesives that comply with the following limits for VOC content when calculated according to 40 CFR 59, Subpart D (EPA Method 24):
    - a. VCT and Asphalt Tile Adhesives: 50 g/L.
    - b. Cove Base Adhesives: 50 g/L.
    - c. Rubber Floor Adhesives: 60 g/L.
- C. Transition strips-See carpet specifications. Provide in maximum available lengths to minimize running joints.

### PART 3 - EXECUTION

- 3.1 PREPARATION
  - A. Prepare substrates according to manufacturer's written recommendations to ensure adhesion of resilient products.

- B. Concrete Substrates: Prepare according to ASTM F 710.
  - 1. Verify that substrates are dry and free of curing compounds, sealers, and hardeners.
- C. Remove substrate coatings and other substances that are incompatible with adhesives and that contain soap, wax, oil, or silicone, using mechanical methods recommended by manufacturer. Do not use solvents.
- D. Use trowelable leveling and patching compound to fill cracks, holes, and depressions in substrates.
- E. Move resilient products and installation materials into spaces where they will be installed at least 48 hours in advance of installation.
  - 1. Do not install resilient products until they are same temperature as space where they are to be installed.
- F. Sweep and vacuum clean substrates to be covered by resilient products immediately before installation. After cleaning, examine substrates for moisture, alkaline salts, carbonation, and dust. Proceed with installation only after unsatisfactory conditions have been corrected.

### 3.2 INSTALLATION

- A. Install tiles per manufacturer's requirements.
- B Lay out tiles from center marks established with principal walls, discounting minor offsets, so tiles at opposite edges of room are of equal width.
  - 1. Lay tiles square with room axis.
- C. Match tiles for color and pattern by selecting tiles from cartons in the same sequence as manufactured and packaged, if so numbered. Discard broken, cracked, chipped, or deformed tiles.
  - 1. LVT-2: Lay tiles with grain direction alternating in adjacent tiles (basketweave pattern). Adjust layout as necessary to avoid using cut widths that equal less than one-half tile at perimeter.
  - 2. LVT-1: Lay planks perpendicular to the corridor wall in a random staggered pattern. Adjust layout as necessary so that all cut edges occur at the room perimeter with no ending length of plank is less that the width of the plank. Adjust layout as necessary so that all ripped edges occur at the room perimeter with no ending width of plank is less than half the width of the plank.
- D. Scribe, cut, and fit tiles to butt neatly and tightly to vertical surfaces and permanent fixtures including built-in furniture, cabinets, pipes, outlets, edgings, door frames, thresholds, and nosings.
- E. Extend tiles into toe spaces, door reveals, closets, and similar openings.

- F. Maintain reference markers, holes, and openings that are in place or marked for future cutting by repeating on floor tiles as marked on substrates. Use chalk or other nonpermanent, nonstaining marking device.
- G. Install tiles on covers for telephone and electrical ducts and similar items in finished floor areas. Maintain overall continuity of color and pattern with pieces of tile installed on covers. Tightly adhere tile edges to substrates that abut covers and to cover perimeters.
- H. Adhere tiles to flooring substrates using a full spread of adhesive applied to substrate to produce a completed installation without open cracks, voids, raising and puckering at joints, telegraphing of adhesive spreader marks, and other surface imperfections.
- I. Perform the following operations immediately after completing resilient product installation:
  - 1. Remove adhesive and other blemishes from exposed surfaces.
  - 2. Sweep and vacuum surfaces thoroughly.
  - 3. Damp-mop surfaces to remove marks and soil.
    - a. Do not wash surfaces until after time period recommended by manufacturer.
- J. Protect resilient products from mars, marks, indentations, and other damage from construction operations and placement of equipment and fixtures during remainder of construction period. Use protection methods recommended in writing by manufacturer.
- K. Install topset base around complete perimeter of room including around cabinetry.
- L. Install guestroom entry transition strip to allow door brush sweep to contact upon closing.
- M. Prior to beginning any installation verify that latent moisture content of concrete and/or cemetious subgrade materials does not exceed adhesive manufacturer's recommendation.

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