

# Installation Guide

## City Laminate

Laminate is a popular choice of flooring thanks to its ease of installation. They can be installed in many areas of the home (except for rooms with a lot of water or extreme temperatures) and are suitable for use over any type of subfloor including underfloor heating.

## Underlay

All floating flooring installations must use the correct underlay. Over a concrete subfloor you will need to use a superior underlay which has a built-in dam proof membrane (DPM) – however in the case of the City Laminate range, Cushion Acoustic Gold Wood Flooring Underlay and other similar gold underlay would not be appropriate. Essential Plus Cushion White Underlay or Cushion Ultra Silver Wood Underlay can be used and are recommended for a wooden subfloor with their vapour barriers. Alternatively use Essential Cushion White Underlay, dependent on subfloor construction.

Using the correct underlay can give better support to your new flooring, which in turn prolongs the life and aids installation by removing some minor imperfections from the subfloor.

## Installation

Each board is designed with a click profile on all four sides to join the boards together. Simply insert the long side tongue into the groove at a medium angle and then push them down. The shorter end, known as the “Header Joint”, will vary dependent on product chosen. You will need to refer to the manufacturer’s guides for further product specific instructions.

You will need to leave a 15mm expansion gap around the perimeter of the room. To maintain this gap during installation spacers are provided in our installation kit (purchased separately). After you have installed the floor you can cover this expansion gap with scotia beading or replace your old skirting boards with new ones to give a more professional finish. An expansion gap also needs to be left in doorways where the floor follows through from one room to another. We have a full range of door profiles available to match your floor.

The above is a brief guideline on the installation of City Laminate flooring; always refer to the manufacturer’s installation guidelines contained within packs of the flooring or visit our Flooring Manufacturer Installation Guides.

**If you require any further advice on installation then please call our technical department on 02476 012 840, email us on [technical@ukflooringdirect.co.uk](mailto:technical@ukflooringdirect.co.uk) or click the Live Chat button at the bottom of our website.**