

AFFECTING LVT, LVP AND CARPET TILES

Be cautious of an installation of direct glue down LVT, LVP and carpet tiles in areas with sustained direct sunlight. The sunlight can affect the performance of the flooring product and the adhesive. Where the flooring is in direct sunlight for most of the day the surface temperature of the flooring will exceed 120 F degrees. LVT, LVP and carpet tile flooring and adhesives are not engineered to withstand those extreme temperatures. Being exposed to extreme heat the flooring products will tend to expand and contract when not exposed to the direct sunlight. They will also curl, warp and edge lifting will occur due to the heat. The adhesive bond between the flooring and the substrate may be affected by the movement of the flooring caused by the sustained direct sunlight. Also when flooring is exposed to sustained direct sunlight it can result in discoloration of the flooring product. The use of drapes or window blinds is recommended during peak sunlight exposure. And another option might be to protect from direct sunlight using window treatments or UV tinting on windows.

Note: Intermediate unsustained direct sunlight should not affect the performance of the flooring and adhesive.

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