



## **Striation Tile – 9/32” Tufted Loop Pile**

### **Commercial Carpet Tile**

### **Installation & Maintenance**

#### *Installation Instructions*

#### **Acclimatization**

Store the flooring within the required area, which must be fully enclosed from the weather. The conditions must be at a constant ( $\pm 5^{\circ}\text{F}$ ) service temperature that is also between  $68^{\circ}\text{F}$  and  $80^{\circ}\text{F}$  with ambient relative humidity between 35% - 65% for at least 48 hours before acclimatization begins and for 72 hours after installation. The substrate must also be at least  $5^{\circ}\text{F}$  above the dew point. The boxes must be stored flat (without stacking), for at least 24 hours before installation, for acclimatization.

**Note:** *Windows etc. must also be covered for 2 hours prior, during, and for 24 hours after installation.*

#### **Inspection**

If the wrong product or product with obvious defects or other damage has been shipped, do not install it. Contact Amarco Products immediately. Use tiles from the same batch only, in any area and randomly shuffle before installing.

#### **Adhesive Application**

First, ensure the area is clean (Hepa filtered vacuum). Measure out and mark your start lines which must be followed before the application of the adhesive. Apply adhesive using a 1/32 inch x 1/16 inch x 1/32 inch U-notched trowel (FFA). The adhesive must be applied at an angle of approximately  $60^{\circ}$  to the prepared substrate without voids or puddles. Do not make any sharp turns with the trowel to avoid an uneven application of the adhesive. Do not re-notch trowels; replace them as required.

**Note:** *Do not apply adhesive to an area that cannot be installed within two hours.*

#### **Installation**

Allow the adhesive to become “Dry-to-the-touch” and the matting must be installed within two (2) hours after it has become “Dry-to-the-touch”. Do not allow the adhesive to become contaminated with dust or anything else; if it does, remove and apply fresh adhesive.

Carefully place the tiles into the adhesive bed following your start lines continuing until the area is completed including the perimeter cuts. After the area has been installed, immediately roll the entire area using a three section 100 lb. roller.

#### **Finish**

Clean up all debris, take photographs, protect the flooring from traffic if required and have the end user sign a “Job Completion Ticket”.



## *Maintenance Instructions*

### **Precautions**

Follow facilities Standard Operating Procedures (SOP). All Safety Data Sheets and product label instructions must be read, understood and followed before using the product.

### **Daily Cleaning**

Best performed while the matting is dry, vacuum clean using a commercial brush vacuum cleaner as often as required.

### **Spot Removal**

Remove spills and spots as soon as possible after they occur. Remove solid components using a scoop, liquids using a clean white cloth or tissue paper. Always treat the spot with a clean, damp cloth and work in the direction of the pile. Pat on the spot, do not rub. Let the spot dry then vacuum the treated area. If required, call in an expert who can prevent the carpet from getting damaged by using the right products for dried or hardened spots.

### **Gum Removal**

Use ice to harden the gum and scrape off as much as possible using a standard (blunt) putty knife. Then use a citrus-solvent based spot remover to remove the rest of the gum. Immediately rinse with clean water twice and pat dry with paper towels between rinses. Perform a "Periodic Cleaning".

### **Ice Melt Removal**

To prevent Ice Melt build-up, vacuum several times a day while the matting is exposed to it. Then perform a "Periodic Cleaning" when the weather improves.

### **Periodic Cleaning**

First perform the "Daily Cleaning", "Gum Removal" and "Spot Removal" as required. Deep clean the matting using the "Hot Water Extraction" method by qualified professionals. This method removes deeply embedded soils and should be performed as often needed, based on traffic and soil levels (typically once or twice a year). When clear water is obtained during the extraction, the dirt has been removed from the matting.

**Additional Information** Do not use oils or silicones, acetone, strong alkaline cleaning agents, scouring powder, strong solvents, or abrasive cleaning pads, as these can damage the product. These instructions supersede any verbal or written instructions from Amarco Products representatives and must be followed for the Striation Tile warranty to be in effect.