

# FLOATING GLUED INSTALLATION



**ENGINEERED FLOORING** 

#### Difficulty: 3/5

We suggest you watch the videos at www.panaget.com before installing your floor.

As you lay the strips, leave an expansion gap of 1.5 mm per linear metre of flooring, with a minimum of 8 mm, along the walls and around obstacles such as pipes, stairs, pillars and fireplaces. Cut around the bottoms of doorframes and place the flooring so that the gap is invisible.

To allow the flooring to move freely, the total width of the strips should not exceed 8 metres. For larger widths, include an intermediate expansion gap. Always allow a gap at door thresholds.

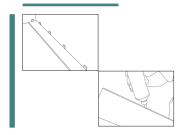
You should ideally place the strips along the length of the room and in the direction from which light enters.

#### STEP 1:



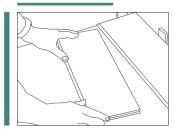
1. Roll out an insulating polythene underlay, such as ISOL 30, ensuring the subfloor is flat and dry. The strips are taped together side by side and should fit along the bottoms of the skirting boards.

### STEP 2:



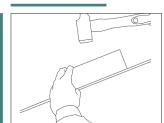
2• Begin laying from a corner. Position the strips with the tongue side against the wall, and carefully glue the top edges of the tongues along their entire length using an aqueous vinyl glue such as Presto BIB. Place wedges around the sides to create an expansion gap.

# STEP 3:



3. Use the offcut of the first row to start the second, ensuring that the offcut is at least twice the width of the strip itself for aesthetic reasons. Immediately remove traces of glue with a slightly damp duster or sponge.

## **STEP 4:**



4• Use a tapping block to avoid damaging the strips when fixing them into place.

# STEP 5:



5. Cut the last row of strips to the required width, allowing for an expansion gap. Fix them into place flat with a metal pull bar. 24 hours after laying the floor, remove the wedges and cover the expansion joints using suitable fittings such as skirting boards, radiator rings and threshold strips.

