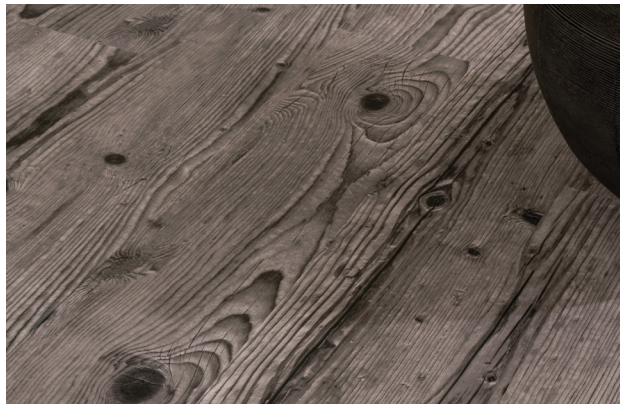


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Installing a new floor for your home remodel is exciting, it changes the look and feel of your home. Whether you already have your installation scheduled or you are still searching for the right flooring style, it is good to know what is involved with a new floor installation.

We recommend you start considering what you need to do to plan for installation and minimize disruptions for you and your installation team. Utilize this checklist to know how to prepare for installation day. But first, consider these few things before scheduling your installation:

Moldings and Baseboards

Baseboard moldings, in most installations, will be left in place. Installers will work with the molding, but cannot be responsible for breakage and scratches. Door casings where they meet the floor you're replacing or adding may or may not need to be cut to allow for your new flooring. If door casings are too short, arrangements will need to be made by a carpenter to extend or replace the door casings to fit properly. New shoe molding or quarter round will be installed. Due to different paint colors and sheens, white primed molding is normally installed and will require a painter or homeowner to paint after installation. Some companies will offer painting but an additional cost should be expected.

Cables and Wires

Should you require positioning of any wires, cables, phone lines, etc. please discuss this with your installer prior to installation. We recommend you contact a professional electrician for any sensitive type of wiring or cabling. Computer and entertainment system wiring is not the responsibility of the installer and should be removed or taken care of prior to installation to avoid delays.

Door Size & Leveling

Discuss with your installer whether you will need to remove hinged doors and replace them after your new flooring is installed. If your new flooring is thicker than your old flooring, your doors will need to be trimmed for proper clearance. In this instance, ask for the doors to be left off their hinges so you or a hired carpenter can trim the doors.



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What to Do Before Installation Day:

- ☐ Move furniture out of the room receiving the new floor. [Preferred Flooring](#) can assist with moving some furniture pieces within reason. Additional charges may apply to areas with excessive or heavy furniture or any furniture that requires disassembly. We do not move heavy appliances, antiques, grandfather clocks, aquariums, pool tables, waterbeds, safes, gym equipment, or baby grand/grand pianos (most of these items need to be professionally moved). [Contact our Preferred Flooring team for details.](#)
- ☐ Remove all items from furniture tops, closet floors, under beds, and from the inside of cabinets, entertainment centers, and bookcases.
- ☐ Remove all bed coverings, fragile items, lamps, mirrors, wall hangings, knick-knacks, glassware, books, antiques, or other valuables, from areas affected by installation work.
- ☐ Disconnect and remove all appliances, computers, stereos, televisions, or other electronic equipment. We are not responsible for damages as a result of disconnecting or reconnecting any water supply lines, appliances, electronics, toilets, etc. We recommend that the homeowner use a certified plumber, electrician, or contractor to do this as necessary
- ☐ If you are painting your home, complete all painting of walls, ceilings, window frames, etc. at least 24 hours before your new flooring is installed. Keep some leftover paint for a second coat or touch-ups.
- ☐ Make proper arrangements for accessibility to parking, elevators, and/or service entrances. If you live on secured premises (condominium or gated community) please check with the building/property management for accessibility procedures. All-access arrangements must be made prior to our installers arriving.

What to Do on Installation Day:

- ☐ Make sure to have an adult (over age 18) on the premises with the authority to make installation decisions, the ability to verify the correct materials are being used, and inspect the job upon completion. Our installers will call you on the day of the installation to provide you with an approximate time of arrival.
- ☐ Keep children and pets away from the installation site.





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When the installation is complete, our team will:

- Vacuum and clean the installation site.
- Pick up and dispose of installation-related materials and debris.
- Conduct a post-installation inspection with you to guarantee your complete satisfaction.
- Provide you with warranty and care information for your new floor.

Getting Started

Are you ready for some brand new stylish floors? The **Preferred Flooring** team is happy to help guide you in your flooring installation process. Get started by [scheduling an appointment](#) to explore our design center in Raleigh, NC, and pick out the right luxury flooring product with our design team.

If you are getting ready for your installation day and have questions, please contact us at 919-782-3330 or [make an appointment](#) to meet with us in our design center.