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MSFFL3038 Install strip timber flooring onto battens

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Modification History

Release 1 - New unit of competency

Application

This unit of competency covers installing tongue and groove strip timber flooring onto battens which may be over joists or a sub-floor to either raise a floor or correct the level of a floor.

Licensing, legislative or certification requirements may apply to this unit and relevant state/territory and local government agencies should be consulted to determine any necessary certification or licensing for undertaking flooring work. Access to construction sites requires certification of general induction training specified by the National Code of Practice for Induction for Construction Work (ASCC 2007).

Pre-requisite Unit

Competency Field

Unit Sector

Flooring technology

Elements and Performance Criteria

Elements describe the essential outcomes.

Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.

1	Prepare for work	1.1	Applicable work health and safety (WHS), legislative and organisational requirements relevant to the installation of strip timber flooring onto battens are verified and complied with
		1.2	Instructions and/or plans are read and interpreted to identify process required to complete work tasks
		1.3	Sub-floor condition is assessed for suitability for installation of strip timber flooring consistent with Australian Standards, industry standards and manufacturer recommendations
		1.4	Suitable moisture membrane, fixings, adhesives, trims

			and accessories are selected as required.
		1.5	Tools, equipment and materials are selected and checked prior to use to ensure that they are appropriate for the work, serviceable and in a safe condition
		1.6	Sequence of work is planned, including the starting point, to ensure efficiency and quality of installation
2	Lay moisture membrane	2.1	Instructions and sequence for laying and fixing are followed
		2.2	Skirting boards or cover trims are removed or undercut, if required, and stored for re-fitting or sent for machining
		2.3	Moisture proof membrane is fixed following manufacturer recommendations and Australian Standards
3	Cut and fix timber battens	3.1	Timber flooring to be installed is checked against work order
		3.2	Timber flooring is acclimatised according to manufacturer recommendations
		3.3	Area to be covered is measured, working lines and starting point are established
		3.4	Timber battens for fixing are organised and used in accordance with relevant safety management requirements
		3.5	Timber battens are accurately and clearly marked for cutting
		3.6	Timber battens are cut to length and size for final laying to provide appropriate size and shape ensuring minimum waste
		3.7	Fixings are prepared for use as required
		3.8	Timber battens are fixed using methods and equipment that follows manufacturer recommendations
4	Cut and fix timber flooring	4.1	Instructions and sequence for laying and fixing timber flooring are followed
		4.2	Work lines and starting point are established

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| | | 4.3 | Timber flooring is laid out to meet directional sequence, pattern match, specification requirements, and to minimise waste and joins as appropriate |
| | | 4.4 | The aesthetics of the materials are maximised, where appropriate, matching grains and colours |
| | | 4.5 | Fixing methods and equipment are used following manufacturer recommendations |
| | | 4.6 | Timber flooring is cut to length and size for final laying to provide appropriate size and shape ensuring minimum waste |
| 5 | Lay strip timber flooring | 5.1 | Materials for fixing are organised and used in accordance with relevant safety management requirements |
| | | 5.2 | Fixing methods and equipment are used following manufacturer recommendations and Australian Standards |
| | | 5.3 | Appropriate field and perimeter expansion joints are allowed |
| | | 5.4 | Skirting boards or cover trims are fitted and finished |
| | | 5.5 | Finished job is inspected and any imperfections are rectified following workplace procedures |
| 6 | Complete housekeeping | 6.1 | Unused materials are stored or recycled as required |
| | | 6.2 | Tools and equipment are cleaned and stored appropriately |
| | | 6.3 | Work area is cleaned and rubbish disposed of appropriately |
| | | 6.4 | Workplace documentation is completed |

Foundation Skills

Foundation skills essential to performance are explicit in the performance criteria of this unit of competency. Detail on appropriate performance levels for each furnishing unit of competency in reading, writing, oral communication and numeracy utilising the Australian Core Skills Framework (ACSF) are provided in the Furnishing Training Package Implementation Guide.

Range of Conditions

Specifies different work environments and conditions that may affect performance. Essential operating conditions that may be present (depending on the work situation, needs of the candidate, accessibility of the item, and local industry and regional contexts) are included. Range is restricted to essential operating conditions and any other variables essential to the work environment.

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| Unit context includes: | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• WHS requirements, including legislation, building codes, material safety management systems, hazardous and dangerous goods codes, and local safe operating procedures or equivalent• work is carried out in accordance with legislative obligations, environmental legislation, relevant health regulations, manual handling procedures and organisation insurance requirements• work requires individuals to demonstrate some discretion, judgement and problem solving |
| Strip timber flooring onto battens includes: | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• strip tongue and groove floating floors• manufactured engineered flooring |
| Adhesives include: | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• polyvinyl alcohol (PVA)• polyurethane elastomeric |
| Tools and equipment include: | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• drop saw• jig saw• hand saw• undercut saw• hammer• bar scribe• utility knife• circular saw• bench saw• straight edge• cramps• clamps• staple gun• secret nailer |

- roller
- sanding machines (drum, belt and rotary)
- edger
- Materials include:**
 - flooring materials
 - timber battens
 - edge strips
 - tapes
 - adhesives
 - metal fixings
 - ventilated skirtings
- Timber battens include:**
 - timber battens with a density less than or equal to 600 Kg/m³, greater than 600 Kg/m³
- Personal protective equipment includes:**
 - that prescribed under legislation, regulations and enterprise policies and practices
- Information and procedures include:**
 - workplace procedures relating to the use of tools and equipment
 - work instructions, including job sheets, cutting lists, plans, drawings and designs
 - workplace procedures relating to reporting and communication
 - manufacturer specifications and operational procedures

Unit Mapping Information

Supersedes and is equivalent to LMFFL3510A Install strip timber flooring onto battens

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -
<https://vetnet.education.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=0601ab95-583a-4e93-b2d4-cfb27b03ed73>