

## To Our Valued Installer:

Enclosed within this package you will find several essential tools to assist in the proper installation of an Oshkosh Designs inlay. Prior to installing the product, it is crucial that you review the guide and adhere to the recommended installation procedure. Please make sure to review the following:

- NWFA jobsite pre-installation evaluation must be completed for warranty validation.
- Dry-fitting the product to prevent issues with fit, grain and color concerns.
- Property owners package with warranty registration to be given to property owner.
- Store in provided template, if applicable, and by laying FLAT on DRY stable surface.
- Keep product in a climate controlled environment and acclimate per NWFA recommendations.

We have made every effort to provide you with a product that is easy to install and work with. The accurate use of the provided materials will not only contribute to the success of your project, but will result in a timely and profitable installation process.

We truly value our partnership and should you have any comments or concerns in regards to the product, please contact us prior to installing it at 1.877.582.9977.

Sincerely,

Oshtforh Designs

### CALIFORNIA PROPOSITION 65 NOTIFICATION RAW WOOD PRODUCT EXPOSURE

**Warning:** Drilling, sawing, sanding, or machining wood products can expose you to wood dust, a substance known to the State of California to cause cancer. Avoid inhaling wood dust or use a dust mask or other safeguards for personal protection. For more information go to www.P65Warnings.ca.gov/wood.

# PRE-INSTALLATION EVALUATION OF JOBSITE

Job Name		
Job Address		
City S	State	ZIP
Contact Number Jo	obsite Superintendent	

THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED PRIOR TO INSTALLATION AND Property Owner must retain, and provide to Oshkosh Designs should a warranty claim become necessary.

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Until the following guidelines have been met, the jobsite is not ready for a wood flooring installation.

Please initial, or complete, line next to each item that guideline has been met and verified.

#### INTERIOR CONDITIONS

- ☐ All wet trades (drywall, plaster, paint, ceramic tile, etc.) have completed their work.
- ☐ Air conditioning, heating and ventilation are complete and operating.
- ☐ The building is enclosed and weather-tight, including all doors and windows in place.
- ☐ The temperature and relative humidity within the structure are at "normal living conditions"—that is, temperature is between 60 and 80 degrees Fahrenheit and between 30 and 50 percent relative humidity.
- ☐ Six-mil polyethylene (preferably black) has been installed and covers the entire ground area in the crawl space.
- ☐ Check the subfloor for flatness using a 6' or 10' straight edge, a laser level, or string line. Using a marker, locate high and low areas. Use a taper gauge, feeler gauge, depth finder, or calipers to measure variances in the subfloor. Wood subfloor must be flat to within ¼" in 10' or ¾6" in 6'.
- ☐ Inspect the subfloor for flatness between joists. Check the subfloor for squeaks or loose panels and refasten as necessary before installing hardwood flooring. The installer should inspect the subfloor for smoothness along joints between panels. Any ridges at panel edges should be sanded smooth before installation of hardwood flooring, using a floor sander with coarse grit sandpaper.

#### **MOISTURE CONDITIONS**

- ☐ Using an appropriate moisture meter for the subfloor, test a minimum of 20 random areas per 1,000 square feet. Record your readings. Notate any elevated readings and address as necessary (do not include in the average). Wood flooring and subflooring must be within 4 percent moisture content for strip wood flooring less than 3″ wide and within 2 percent moisture content for any flooring product 3″ or wider.
- ☐ The subfloor should be at its equilibrium moisture content. Panels subjected to rain or snow, wall texture, primers and paints, newly installed interior concrete or any other wet trade during the construction process absorb moisture and expand. Drying results in shrinkage of panel length and width, as well as density and thickness. If flooring is installed before adequate conditioning, subfloor shrinkage can result in gaps along wood flooring joints, and gaps between the two layers resulting in noisy floors. Installing wood flooring before adequate drying can result in expansion of finished flooring as strips or planks absorb moisture from the subfloor, resulting in cupping, panelization, and noisy floors.

#### **EXTERIOR CONDITIONS**

- Gutters and downspouts are properly placed to drain water away from the structure.
- Soil surrounding the structure is graded properly to drain water away from the site.

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# DELIVERY AND WORKING CONDITIONS

- ☐ Proper electrical power is available (120 V or 220 V)
- ☐ Driveway and sidewalks are paved



I verify that the jobsite is ready for wood flooring installation.				
Signature of Jobsite Superintendent	 Date			