

# Joining Sheets of Vinyl



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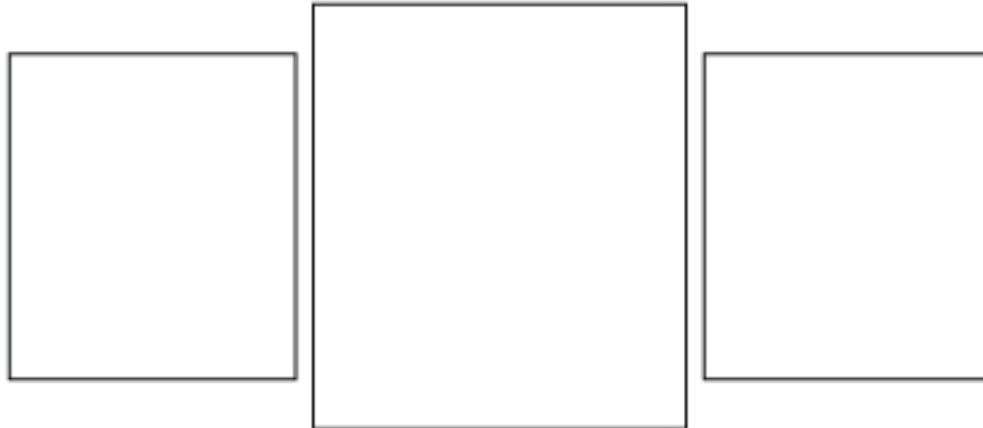
The factory cut edges of vinyl and carpet may be slightly rough/ soiled/ dented and the sheets can run slightly left or right over lengths of approximately 7-10 meters or more.

It is therefore always recommended that allowance be made (5cm on each sheet) to overlap adjoining sheets and that the overlap be 'Double Cut' using a sharp utility knife and straight edge ruler. In this way, after removing the off cuts, the two sides of the seam will have a clean cut edge and will butt together neatly.

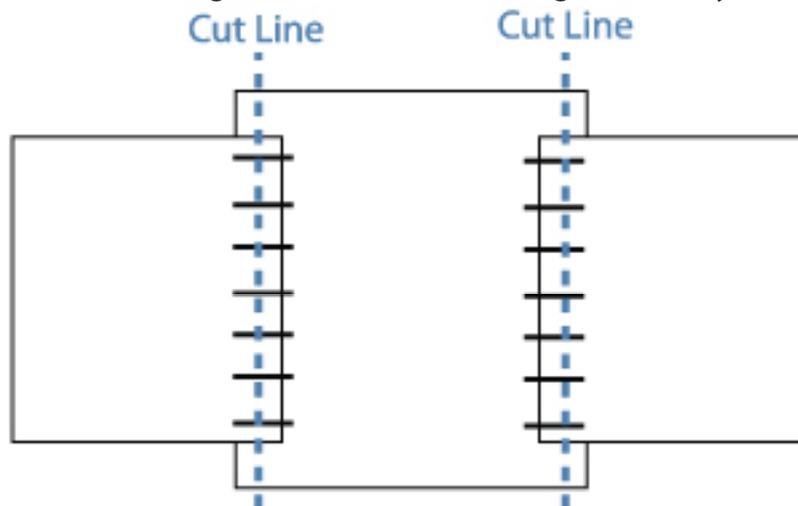
If the carpet or vinyl has a pattern, then prior to 'Double Cutting', you must position the overlap of the adjoining sheets to best achieve a pattern match from one to the other after the Double Cut has been completed.

*Assistance note: To hold the overlapped sheets in place, use 30cm long pieces of wide masking tape positioned across the seam and placed every 50cm down the length of the seam. Double Cut through the flooring and masking tape at the same time. Remove the off cut flooring material. The masking tape strips can assist you to align the sheets and the seam to be a neat fit.*

- 1) Lay out and roughly position the adjoining sheets, ensure the sub-floor and flooring material are normal temperature 15°C - 20°C. At normal room temperatures, the flooring sheets will best relax before you cut anything.



- 2) Overlap the adjoining sheets, pattern match if required, put the 30cm long masking tape strips across the seam to hold the sheets in place, double cut through the sheets, remove the off cuts, align the seam so it butts together neatly.



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### **CAUTION:**

It is recommended not sand or dry scrape existing resilient floor coverings and their adhesive residue as this may create harmful airborne particles. If removal of any existing floor covering is necessary, seek advice and be certain all precautions are taken and proper procedures are followed.

It may be preferable to cover floorings, paints and residual adhesives with leveling compounds or underlayment sheets in preparation of your new flooring installation.

All floor tiles may become slippery when wet.

Remember the old adage - "Measure Twice - cut once"