



# Vinyl Flooring Detail - What to Expect

Thank you for your decision to purchase a flooring detail measurement from Lowe's. After your measurement is complete the information will be sent to the Store, and Lowe's will create a complete quote for your review. If you have any questions regarding the detail or installation, please contact Lowe's. Outlined below is important information about the installation process. It will help you understand what to expect before, during, and after your installation project.

## Scope of work:

- Lowe's installation services do not include the removal of existing vinyl flooring.
- In some cases, a Lowe's Independent Contractor can install new vinyl flooring over existing vinyl flooring, depending on the manufacturer's requirements. This process normally requires using "liquid underlayment" to fill in the pattern on the old floor.
- If your existing flooring does not permit using liquid underlayment, new plywood underlayment may be required. It is important to use the plywood Lowe's and/or product manufacturer specifies for underlayment to ensure compliance to product warranty. Plywood requires acclimating on site prior to installation. Normally, the customer needs to purchase a Lowe's delivery for delivery of product prior to installation date.
- Seams are not invisible. Seam placement must be discussed and finalized during the measurement. Vinyl flooring is normally available in 12' widths. Customers are able to directly affect the number, type, and placement of seams by the amount of vinyl they elect to purchase. Typically fewer seams increase vinyl waste. The Independent Contractor will provide Lowe's a seam diagram for the customer to approve prior to purchase.
- Pattern vinyl flooring requires additional vinyl for pattern matching and additional charges to perform the match. The contract price may include more product than actually will be installed based on the measured square footage of the project area. As a result, the contract price is calculated upon both the value of estimated goods required (including waste), which may exceed the actual square footage of the project area, and the labor which may be estimated based on the amount of goods required. These additional labor costs are not refundable once the installation services are performed.
- New molding installation may be required to hide the edges of the new vinyl.
- Interior wood doors may need to be trimmed after new flooring is installed. This service is available for an additional charge and may not be determined until after installation is completed. Metal doors cannot be trimmed by Independent Contractors.
- Please advise the Independent Contractor and Lowe's of any previous floor issues such as water leaks or damage.
- Unforeseen circumstances discovered once installation begins such as damaged subfloor, wet subfloor, pet urine soaked carpet, insect infested carpet, unlevel or uneven subfloors, termite damage, can cause additional charges which must be approved by the customer and Lowe's and paid directly to Lowe's. Please refer to the Terms & Conditions of the Lowe's Installation Services customer contract for more information.

## Furniture Moving:

- **If you have paid for this service**, the Independent Contractor will move normal household furniture (on the day the installation begins).
- Independent Contractors will not move certain items such as antiques, electronics, pianos, pool tables, waterbeds, aquariums, safes, pin ball machines, exercise equipment, etc.
- If additional charges apply for moving furniture, the Independent Contractor will advise the customer and the additional charges will be included in the quote from Lowe's.

## Prior to day of install:

- Unless you have paid for optional services through Lowe's, you should make arrangements to have your furniture moved and existing flooring torn out and removed from all rooms receiving new carpeting prior to the day of installation.
- The area to receive new flooring must have climate control, power, adequate lighting, a minimum of 48 hours before and after installation. Please refer to the Terms & Conditions of the Lowe's Installation Services customer contract for more information.
- Unplug all items; disconnect and remove all electronics (computers, stereos, large screen TVs, VCR, DVD, etc).
- Clear closet floors up to 3 feet high, remove items under beds, bed coverings, lamps, knick-knacks, fragile, high value, sentimental value items and antiques.
- Remove glassware from china cabinets, remove books from freestanding bookcases and pictures from walls.

## Day of Install:

- If you have paid for these optional services, the Independent Contractor will move normal household furniture, tear out and haul away your existing flooring. If you have not paid for these optional services, as stated on the customer contract, then you will need to make arrangements to have this done prior to the day of installation.
- An individual 18 years of age or older must be present for both the detail and installation.
- The Independent Contractor will confirm the correct new flooring with customer prior to starting job.
- Customer should identify any wiring (may be hidden) in the new flooring area (alarm, monitoring systems, home theater, etc).
- Customer should inform Independent Contractor if you would like to keep existing flooring and where to put it.
- Please ensure children and pets are not in the installation area during the installation.
- Potential exists for minor scuffing of baseboards/walls. (Note: scuffing will be worse with new paint.)

We look forward to serving you and strive to exceed your expectations. At the conclusion of the job, Lowe's will follow up to make sure the project was completed to your satisfaction. Your feedback is important to us. You will also receive a call from Lowe's asking you to rate your customer experience. Please take a few minutes to give us your feedback so that we can continue providing our customers with the best possible service. Thank you!