

Installation Guidelines for LVT/LVP Profiles 121 & 161

The 121 & 161 stair nosings are designed to give you a flush look for your landing and steps on all thicknesses up to 6mm, while continuing to use the LVT or LVP floor being installed.

The LVT/LVP/WPC floor thicknesses listed below will assist you with your installation.

1. 4.5mm – Optical install thickness

Designed to be installed using the ¼" underlayment.



Use Loba Wakol's MS 245 Montinator Adhesive to secure the flooring to the tongue, butting it up next to the lip of profile 121 or 161 as shown. (The MS 245 Montinator is now available for purchase on <u>www.artisticfinishes.com</u>.)



If you are using additional fastening methods, locate the fasteners in a pattern on the final 2" of the tongue. Use a pattern of placing fastener every 8" leaving 4" spaces on each end of the profile. (Refrain from fastening along the edge of the drop area.) Remember to also adhere the profile along the back corner (underside) of the profile's nosing section.

Use **painter's tape** (we highly recommend Scotch 3M #2090) to secure the profile until fully cured – generally 24 hours.

After recommended cure time, remove the tape and clean the profile with a damp cloth.

2. Thinner than 4.5mm

The main difference regarding installation with the thinner floors is the height discrepancy between the floor and the top of the bullnose lip.

You will need to build up the floor's thickness by either increasing the amount of adhesive or using a floor leveler. Be careful to stay within the manufacturer's recommendation for adhesive thickness.

Suggested method of adhesive installation is with the use of a trowel. If less than a 1mm adjustment is needed, consider a paper backer or foam underlayment.

Any buildup of the subfloor to the edge of the profile tongue should be started at least 12" away from the front edge of the drop.

3. Thicker than 4.5mm up to 6mm

This may require a couple of options to accommodate for a flush look.





First, see if there is a backing material which can be easily removed from the flooring. If so, remove only the width needed to properly lay the flooring onto the tongue of the stair nosing. Final height adjustments can sometimes be made with an adhesive being applied to the back side of the flooring.

If you don't have this option, prep the tongue for sanding the top surface area.

Start by double taping the lip (top of bullnose) of the stair nosing with **painter's tape** (we highly recommend Scotch 3M #2090) to protect it from errant sanding. Press the tape to secure it to the top of the lip, but do not smooth it down to adhere to the front and underside of the bullnosing. (See photos below) Never use duct tape as this could remove the finish from the stair nosing!



Next, start sanding the stair nosing lip by using 80 grit sand paper on a palm sander. Sand over the entire face of the tongue. Be consistent in your passes and keep the profile flat. This can best be achieved by sanding after the profile has been installed and all adhesives have had 24 hours to cure. Check your height a couple of times with your LVT/LVP floor during this sanding process. Anticipate a 1/16" space for any adhesive to be added.



Lastly, in all cases use **painter's tape** (we highly recommend Scotch 3M #2090) for securing all profiles and flooring until final curing – usually 24 hours.



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