



Feltex Carpets Recommendations for Installing Tufted Carpet

All tufted carpets should be installed in accordance with Australian / New Zealand Standards Association Carpet Installation Recommendations AS2455.1.1995. However, for the optimum appearance and performance of your carpet, Feltex Carpets recommends:

- All carpet should be installed on quality underlay (which should comply with the appropriate classification for the intended use/application as per AS4288-2003 i.e. light residential, general, luxury, commercial and heavy commercial) compatible with the quality and proposed use of the carpet.
- Check all edges for bow, skew and trueness. Check both the width and length before cutting.
- Trim carpet according to the pattern not the selvage edge.
- Dry lay prior to installation. Allow sufficient waste in order to maximise pattern match (if necessary).
- Match any patterns from the centre of the seam first, then work out to the ends.
- All carpets should be adequately power stretched during installation, otherwise, bubbling and rucking (wrinkling) may occur.
- When pattern matching, stretch out short sides to meet long sides and if the glued down method is chosen, do not glue down the short side first.
- When stretching the carpet, fix stay nails across the width (i.e. perpendicular to the seam) for approximately one to two metres in either direction. Stay nail further along the seam, then make another stretch.

Seams:

The quality of installation depends entirely on the quality of seams.

If the seams are not permanently bonded together, the carpet may unravel and begin to break down at the edges, making it appear badly fitted and causing premature wear.

Seam adhesive (sealer) must be used for all seams, widthwise and lengthwise. On direct glue down applications, use a solvent-based seam seal adhesive. On conventional installations, a latex-based seam seal adhesive should be used.

Please note that seams are NOT covered by the manufacturer's warranty.

Installed by skilled professionals and maintained correctly, your Feltex carpet will provide years of excellent performance, fine appearance, comfort and pleasure.

Feltex Geometric Printed or Patterned Carpet:

(This applies to carpet that has a repeating pattern or texture)

Perfect pattern match cannot be guaranteed due to the extensible nature of textile products, such that even with special care in laying some irregularities may be visible in the horizontal, vertical and diagonal pattern or texture, especially when viewing across multiple width installations. Patterned carpet, taking into account method of installation, requires more time, effort and skill which should be considered in the original labour quotation. The tolerances of Feltex carpets are as follows:

<i>Trueness of Edge: 25mm in 3.66m width</i>	
<i>Skewing / Bowing 40mm in 3.66m width</i>	
<i>Pattern Repeat: 2% or 72mm in 3.66m length or 144mm in 7.23m length</i>	