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3M™ NOMAD™ CARPET MATTING 8850 INSTALLATION

CUSTOM CUTTING

3M™ Nomad™ Carpet Matting 8850 can be installed wall-to-wall or other custom sizes. Dimensions may vary with time or temperature fluctuations. When a cut is made, it is best to heat seal the freshly cut nap or carpet. Use a heat gun with a fine tip at 400-800°F and adjust your feed rate accordingly so as to not burn the material.

Tools needed:

- Utility knife
- Straight edge 1-1.3 m (3-4 feet) long
- Toothed seaming roller (for best results)

If matting is to be cut to close specifications, be certain it is relaxed and not stretched. Unroll matting and allow to lie undisturbed for 24 hours at room temperature.

Use a utility knife and straight edge for cutting. Do not use scissors.

If it is necessary to move matting after cutting, roll it loosely to avoid stretching.

SEAMING

3M™ Nomad™ Carpet Matting 8850 can be seamed together to make mats wider or longer than standard sizes.

Materials needed:

- 3M™ Matting Seaming Tape (kit or roll)
- 3M™ Matting Adhesive (one 3-ounce tube of adhesive will seam 4.5 meters [15 linear feet] of matting)
- Before seaming, be certain that matting is relaxed and not stretched. Unroll matting and allow to lie undisturbed for 24 hours at room temperature. Avoid stretching or pulling on mat when seaming.
- Use pieces from the same roll to assure that color, shade and texture are the same.

- Maximum recommended mat size is 7.2 square meters (80 square feet).

You may want to use smaller mats for ease of handling and maintenance.

1. Place pieces of matting to be seamed side by side on a clean surface.
2. Unroll 3M™ Matting Seaming Tape between the two pieces of matting to be joined. Cut tape to length.
3. Position the pieces of matting on the seaming tape so that each piece's edge covers half the width of the tape. Be sure the pieces of matting touch at the tape center but do not overlap or buckle.
4. Fold back the edge of one piece of matting along the full length of the seam.
5. When applying adhesive work rapidly. Adhesive may cause wrinkling of the seaming tape if the matting is not joined within 5 minutes of applying the adhesive. Apply adhesive in a continuous "zig-zag" pattern staying 6 mm (1/4 inch) from the outside edge of the exposed half of the seaming tape.
6. Return the folded edge of the matting to its original position and apply moderate pressure to bond the adhesive.
7. Fold back the second piece of matting along the full seam length.
8. Apply two additional beads of adhesive, the first along the joint of the seaming tape and the first piece of matting, and the second in a wavy pattern 1/4 inch (6 mm) from the outside edge of the exposed half of the seaming tape.
9. Return the folded back edge of the matting back to its original position and press firmly. At the same time, gently push both pieces of matting together to eliminate any gaps. For best results, use a toothed seaming roller to gently work over the seam from

multiple directions to insure any stray fibres are worked into the glue and the nap around the seam is blended as best as possible.

10. Place a weight, such as a board, along the full length of the seam to maintain pressure on the bond. Allow to dry undisturbed for at least 8 hours before placing it into service.

APPLYING MAT EDGING

Edging can be easily applied to 3M™ Nomad™ Carpet Matting 8850 to form a tapered edge.

Tools and Materials needed:

- Utility knife
- Straight edge, 1-1.3 meters (3-4 feet long)
- 3M™ Matting Edging – Medium Profile

3M™ Matting Adhesive (one 3-ounce tube of adhesive will apply approximately 15 linear feet [4.5 meters] of edging)

- Before applying edging ensure that matting and edging are relaxed and not stretched. Unroll matting and edging and allow to lie undisturbed for 24 hours at room temperature. Do not stretch or pull on matting when applying edging.
 - Apply edging to opposite side of matting where most people will walk. Recommended maximum edge length is 12 feet (3.6 meters)
1. Arrange mat on floor so that sides to be edged are straight. Trim edges with a utility knife (not scissors) and a straight edge if necessary (see Custom Cutting).
 2. Cut a piece of edging the same length as the edge of mat.
 3. Place edging flat on the floor, grooved side up.
 4. Apply two beads of adhesive liberally to the top of edging.
 5. Place edge of mat on top of edging groove containing adhesive. Gently work mat snugly into the corner of edging groove to ensure a good fit.
 6. Place a weight, such as a board, along the full length of edging to maintain pressure on the bond. Allow to dry undisturbed for at least 8 hours before placing it into service.