

LUXURY VINYL AND ENGINEERED LUXURY VINYL REPAIR GUIDE

RECOMMENDED TOOLS AND MATERIALS

- Straight edge
- Pencil
- Power saw
- Hammer
- Chisel
- Drill
- Builders paper
- Pliers
- Utility knife
- PVC seam cement (cyanoacrylate adhesive, ex: Krazy glue, Gorilla super glue)
- Weights
- 3M Scotch Blue™ 2080 Tape

REPLACING A DAMAGED LUXURY VINYL FLOORING (LVF/ELVF) PLANK/TILE

1. Make sure the replacement plank/tile matches the rest of the flooring. The replacement plank/tile should be thoroughly inspected and properly acclimated.
2. Place tape around the edges of the planks/tiles that border the damaged plank/tile. This will minimize chipping or damaging the finish while replacing the damaged piece. The surrounding area should be covered with a cloth or builders paper that is secured with tape to prevent debris from damaging the existing flooring.
3. Draw lines one (1) inch (25 mm) from outer edges of the damaged plank/tile using a straight edge and pencil. Draw a line at a 45 degree angle from the corner of the drawn lines to the outside corner of the damaged plank/tile.
4. Set the cutting depth of a power saw blade to the exact thickness of the replacement plank/tile. Plunge the blade into a line on the damaged piece and cut toward the one end. Stop cutting when the blade reaches the intersecting line. Continue cutting until all lines have been cut. Finish the cut on each corner with a sharp utility knife or by tapping along the cut line with a hammer and flat chisel. Remove the entire center section.
5. Cut along each 45-degree line, stopping just shy of the existing plank/tile. This cut can be partially completed with the saw but will need to be finished using a knife or sharp flat chisel to insure no damage to the existing planks/tiles. This cutting procedure creates four (4) pieces that you can pry loose from the ends.
6. Lift the pointed end of each piece with a pry bar and pull the piece toward the center of the plank with pliers. Remove it when it snaps loose.

NOTE: Some LVF products will not require the use of a power saw. A sharp utility knife can be used.

INSTALLING THE REPLACEMENT PLANK/TILE

1. Prepare the replacement plank/tile by cutting off the tongue on the short end, the receiver on the other short end, and by cutting off the receiver on the long side only. The tongue side should be left intact. A utility knife with a sharp blade should be used, scoring several times and then breaking off the pieces with pliers. The long side with the remaining tongue will be the first side to be installed during the replacement.
2. Place builders paper underneath the area of the removed plank/tile. Insure that the paper extends underneath the existing flooring. Apply seam adhesive to the edges of the existing flooring and to the edges of the replacement piece. A cotton swab can be used to spread adhesive on the edges. If you get adhesive on the surface of the plank/tile, wipe it off with a soft cloth dampened with water.
3. Insert the-tongue of the replacement plank/tile into the receiver of the existing plank/tile on the floor. Lower the replacement plank/tile, press down on the edges until the replacement is flush with the existing flooring, hold the plank/tile down with weights until the glue dries.
4. After the glue has dried, remove the painter's tape and clean up the area.

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