



# Elemental Edges | Installation Accessories

## INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

For Use With Universal Transitions, Adaptors and Reducers Only

This document has been created to provide installation instructions for Mohawk's Rubber Transitions projects. Please read the entire document prior to initiating installation and follow exact instructions. In all cases, installations should comply with procedures outlined in ASTM Standards for installation. Failure to follow the published installation steps will void all product warranties.

All instructions and recommendations are based on the most recent information available and should be followed for an ideal installation. For questions about product installation contact Mohawk Group Technical Services at [product\\_tech@mohawkind.com](mailto:product_tech@mohawkind.com) or 800-833-6954 Monday-Friday, 8am – 5pm EST; or visit our website at [www.mohawkgroup.com](http://www.mohawkgroup.com) to ensure you have the most up to date version of our installation instructions.

### MATERIAL RECEIVING AND HANDLING

Upon receipt, immediately remove any wrapping materials and verify that the correct product and color was received. Inspect the transitions to ensure they are not kinked or otherwise damaged. Any discrepancies should be reported immediately to the Mohawk Group Technical Services Department before beginning installation.

### TOOLS

- Shop Vacuum
- Tin Snips or Hacksaw
- Rubber Mallet
- Utility Knife
- Measuring Tape
- Paint Brush
- Chemical Resistant Protective Gloves
- Chemical Resistant Safety Goggles
- Contact Cement

### JOB SITE CONDITIONS

- Clean the sub floor of any debris and dust. It is recommended to use a shop vacuum to clean the area thoroughly.
- To apply the contact adhesive, locate a well-ventilated work area that is devoid of fire or flames. Turn off any pilot lights and all ignition sources.

### BEFORE INSTALLATION

- Lay the transitions straight and clean all surfaces with water or mild detergent prior to applying the contact adhesive.
- Using a measuring tape, measure the installation area and determine the appropriate size for the transitions.
- Cut the transitions with a sharp utility knife so that they fit into the installation area.



## CONTACT ADHESIVE

Use personal protective equipment during application to ensure safety, including:

- Chemical Resistant Protective Gloves
- Chemical Resistant Safety Goggles
- Chemical Resistant Clothing

### Application

- Ensure the transitions are clean before application.
- Using a brush, apply the contact adhesive in a uniform manner, covering 100% of the two surfaces to be bonded.

Note: If exposure to the contact adhesive exceeds established Occupational Exposure Limits, use a NIOSH-approved respirator or self-contained breathing apparatus.

### Drying

- Allow the contact adhesive to dry completely for 10 to 20 minutes.
- Check that the adhesive feels slightly tacky, but does not transfer to the finger when touched.

Note: The two surfaces should grab immediately. If they do not, reactivate the surfaces by applying another thin coat of the adhesive to each surface.

## INSTALLATION

- **Position the transition carefully.** Adjustments are NOT possible once the adhesive makes contact with the floor surface.
- **Apply a minimum of 40 psi pressure for the best bond results.**
- **Snap-In Type Moldings**
  1. Cut metal track to fit with tin snips or hacksaw
  2. Apply contact cement as directed above.
  3. Place track into contact adhesive after it has dried to touch.
  4. Cut the molding slightly longer than the track so it can be compressed into place.
  5. After flooring has been installed, start the molding into each end of the track for a couple of inches.
  6. Use a rubber mallet to snap the molding into place.

## AFTER INSTALLATION

Clean tools using toluene or xylene; however, do NOT attempt to clean any transition with these solvents.



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