2-1/2” ECOSMASH TILE

TECHNICAL MANUAL
Installation · Maintenance · Warranty

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I. GENERAL INFORMATION

ECOSmash Tile can be installed on concrete and wood, utilizing the Quad Blok system.

**NOTE:** Dimensional tolerance for tiles is +/- 1/8” for thickness and +/- 1/8” in width. It may be necessary to hand select some tiles to make sure the course lines remain straight during the installation. Additionally, color tone and shading may vary to the extent that some hand selection is required to maintain uniformity throughout the site.

**NOTE:** ECOSmash Tile is manufactured from recycled materials and slight variance in shade and color chip dispersion is normal. It is the installer’s responsibility to inspect all products to ensure the correct style, thickness, and color. Any moderate to severe discrepancies should be reported immediately before beginning installation.

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<td>24” x 24” x 2-1/2”</td>
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<td>Concrete Surface</td>
<td>Quad Blok</td>
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II. REQUIRED TOOLS/MATERIALS

1. Two tape measures - one 25', one 50’
2. Safety glasses
3. Chalk line
4. 1-1/2” flexible putty knife
5. Saber saw
6. Coveralls
7. Blades for saber saw (7-10 teeth per inch)
8. Kneepads
9. Solvent safe rubber gloves, long cuff style
10. Dustpan
11. Utility knife with heavy-duty blades
12. Rags
13. Framing square
14. Trash bags
15. Silver or gold color paint pencils
16. Push broom or high velocity blower
17. Standard size caulk gun
18. Mineral spirits
19. 4” slot blade screwdriver
20. Installation instructions
21. Silicone Spray Lubricant
22. String line
23. Notched trowels (1/8” square notch)
24. 75-100 pound floor roller
25. Cutting table (shipping pallet)
26. Shop Vac
III. SITE LAYOUT

A. Sweep area clear of all dust and loose debris.

B. Determine a starting point for the first course of tile to best suit the site area. For irregular site configurations, the best starting point is often in the center. This will ensure a symmetrical finish for tiles that require trimming along the perimeter. Other installations are best started in the corner or along the edge that represents the length or width dimension of the site.

C. Mark two points on the base surface at an equal distance from the edge of the installation. These points should be located near the opposite ends of the site in the lengthwise direction.

D. Measure the length of the site along the chalk line. Mark a point at half the distance of the site.

E. Using the 3-4-5 right triangle method, snap a chalk line to form a 90° angle to the previously established length-wise chalk line. These perpendicular reference lines will serve as a guide for laying the first course of tile.

F. Lay whole tiles from left to right along chalk line #1 up to the wall on the opposite side of chalk line #2. The last tile will likely have to be cut to fit against the wall.

G. Offset tiles from center line in rooms to avoid cutting tiles against wall that are less than 12 inches in width.
IV. QUAD BLOK INSTALLATION

A. Follow the Site Layout instructions to prepare the area for the installation of the ECOsmash Tile.

B. Once chalk lines are established, place the first tile at the intersection of two chalk lines, aligning adjacent edges of the tile with the chalk lines.

C. Apply a continuous 3/8” diameter bead of E-Grip III adhesive along the center axes of all Quad Blok connectors. Working adhesive time is dependent upon environmental conditions.

D. Fit the first tile with four prepared Quad Blok connectors by lifting each tile corner slightly, sliding the connectors under each corner and engaging the four corner legs of each tile with the respective apertures in the Quad Blok. Continue to sequentially lay the tile and to set the Quad Blok connectors along one chalk line until the first course of tile is complete.

NOTE: In the field, cut the Quad Blok connectors in half to properly secure tile around the perimeter edge of surface area.

E. Complete the other three quadrants in a similar fashion. Roll floor with a 75 pound flooring roller after gluing tiles into Quad Bloks. Roll again 1 hour later.

F. Allow 24 hours for adhesive to cure before opening area for foot traffic, 48 hours before exercise use and 72 hours before placing equipment.

G. One 10.1 ounce tube of E-Grip III is required for approx. 10 of the 8” x 8” Quad Blocks.

Note: Adhesive spills must be removed while still wet. Use a dry rag to pick up the majority of the adhesive. Wipe the remaining residue with a rag dampened with mineral spirits. Cured adhesive can only be removed from surfaces by mechanical means, such as scraping or sanding.
V. CUTTING TILES & ACCESSORIES

A. The most accurate cuts are made using a heavy-duty utility or carpet knife and a straight edge. A saber saw utilizing a 7-10 TPI wood cutting blade also works well. Blade must be long enough to penetrate the 2-1/8” pad. A saw with a 3-3.5 amp rated motor having a 1” stroke with variable orbital setting will produce the best results. A cutting table used to support the work is required during cutting. A standard shipping pallet works well for this purpose for in-field use. A band saw can also be used. Spray silicone can minimize blade friction and binding.

B. Follow the Quad Blok Installation Instructions to prepare site.

C. Any tile with the factory radius edge removed / cut must be positioned against a wall. Fill gaps between cut edges and walls / vertical surfaces with silicone sealant or a permanently elastic urethane sealant/adhesive.

D. Notch tiles with ¼” clearance to fit properly around the equipment support posts. Fill this space with silicone sealant or a permanently elastic urethane sealant/adhesive.

E. Tile cuts are normally laid out by referencing dimensions from the edges of tiles already in position. These dimensions are then transferred to and laid out on the tile to be cut.

F. Use a lead-in cut (shortest distance from cutout to edge of tile or least noticeable) from tile edge to area to be removed.

G. Miter cut corner reducers for correct fit.
MAINTENANCE

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<td>Ecore’s E-Cleaner</td>
<td>10 oz./gal. water</td>
<td>Microfiber mop, Soft Nylon Brush or 3M 5100 Red Pad or equal</td>
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<td>Regular/Daily Cleaning</td>
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<td>2-4 oz./gal. water</td>
<td>Microfiber Mop, Soft Nylon Brush or 3M 5100 Red Pad or equal</td>
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<td>Heavy Soil &amp; Restorative Cleaning</td>
<td>Ecore’s E-Cleaner - Ecore’s E-Strip</td>
<td>10 oz./gal. water 16 oz./gal. water</td>
<td>Brown 7100, or Black 7200 pad as req’d. (Do not use High Productivity Pad)</td>
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I. MAINTENANCE

A. **Initial Cleaning**
   1. Remove all surface soil and debris by sweeping, mopping or vacuuming.
   2. Scrub with Ecore’s E-Cleaner and buffer or auto scrubber with a soft nylon brush.
   3. Pick up solution with a wet vacuum, rinse with clean water, and allow to thoroughly dry (6-8 hours).

B. **Daily/Regular Cleaning**
   1. Remove all surface soil and debris by sweeping, mopping, or vacuuming.
   2. Scrub with Ecore’s E-Cleaner and microfiber mop, buffer or auto scrubber with red pad or soft nylon brush.

C. **Heavy Soil & Restoration**
   1. Remove all surface soil and debris by sweeping, mopping or vacuuming.
   2. Aggressively scrub the floor with cleaner or stripper, brown or black pad, or auto scrubber or rotary scrubber.
   3. Pick up solution with a wet vacuum, rinse with clean water, and allow to thoroughly dry (6-8 hours).
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WARRANTY

Ecore (the “Seller”) warrants that the ECOsmash Tile surfacing system will be free from defects in materials and workmanship.

What does the warranty cover?

- Surface wear due to ordinary abrasion from pedestrian traffic will not penetrate the wear course of the surface.
- The tiles, when installed according to the manufacturers’ specifications, will ensure the surface remains fixed and functional.

How long does the warranty coverage last?

This is a 5 year limited warranty, prorated as outlined in the warranty coverage schedule shown below. This warranty may be transferred with the property.

What will we do?

Any segment of an ECOsmash Tile surface that meets the warranty criteria will be repaired or replaced, at the Seller’s option and in conjunction with the warranty coverage schedule below.

How do you submit a warranty claim?

A warranty claim should be made directly to the Seller. Make claims via telephone by calling 877-258-0843. Please provide the following information: Ecore sales order number, a description of the claimed defect, photographic images of the claimed defect, the date of the original installation, the project name and your name, address, and phone number. The Seller will provide notification of any additional information and physical evidence that may be required to process your claim.

Warranty Coverage Schedule:

The Seller shall be responsible for 100% of the purchase price of any product found to be defective or not in compliance with the warranty herein within the first year following the original shipment of the product. Where any product is found to be defective or not in compliance with the warranty herein more than one (1) year following the original shipment of the product, the Seller shall only be responsible for a portion of the cost of the repair or replacement of such products as follows (and the buyer shall bear and pay the remaining portion of such costs):

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Warranty Exclusions

This warranty does not cover:

- Product failure caused by accidents, misuse, natural disaster, vandalism, improper installation, or maintenance and the like (see installation, care, and maintenance instructions).
- Color change caused by exposure to UV and/or normal abrasion from pedestrian traffic.
- Failure due to improper sub-surface preparation.
- Ecore will not accept claims for damage caused by extreme high forces. Resilient flooring may suffer visible damage as a result of extreme high forces (up to 2,000 pounds per square inch). ECOsmash Tiles are not designed to perform under such concentrated high pressure.

Additional Considerations:

- The Seller’s liability is limited to the material and transportation costs of repair or replacement of the product at the Seller’s option. The Seller shall be responsible for installation costs and the costs of other work in connection with such repair and replacement only if such work was performed by Seller in the original installation. Where ECOsmash Tile is installed only in high traffic areas or installed in combination with other surfacing products not sold by the Seller, such ECOsmash Tiles are excluded from this warranty.
- In the event of repair, replacement, or refinishing under this warranty, the warranty applicable to the replacement material or to the repaired or refinished products will extend only for the time remaining under the original warranty.
- The Seller reserves the right to discontinue or change any design or color of any products at any time and without notice or liability. If, for any reason, products of the type originally purchased are no longer available at the time a warranty claim is made, Seller may substitute another product determined by Seller to be of comparable quality and price.
- THIS WARRANTY IS IN LIEU OF ALL OTHER WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE.
- Your exclusive remedy for any breach of warranty is as set forth in this warranty. This warranty gives you specific legal rights. You may have other rights which vary from state to state and province to province.
- The ECOsmash Tile warranty shall not cover dissatisfaction due to improper installation, damage from improper maintenance or usage, or general misuse, including and without limitation: burns, cuts, tears, scratches, scuffs, damage from rolling loads, damage from cleaning products not recommended by Ecore, slight shade variations or shade variations due to exposure to direct sunlight, or differences in color between samples or photographs and actual flooring.