Slim Trim

Technical Information — Sizes

SlimTrim

Our Slim Trim **3-in-1 Molding** functions as a Reducer, T-Molding, and End Cap. Comes with SlimTrack and Versatrack Shim.

Surface Material: High Wear Resistant Aluminum Oxide Laminate

Core Material: PVC

SlimTrack

To be used with Slim Trim for floors up to 1/8" (3 mm) thickness including 3/32nd underlayment. Also, used in conjunction with the Versatrack Shim for 1/8"-1/4" (3-6.35 mm) including 3/32nd underlayment.

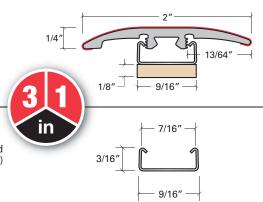
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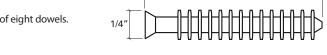
* For floors thicker than 1/4" (6 mm), use optional dowel installation

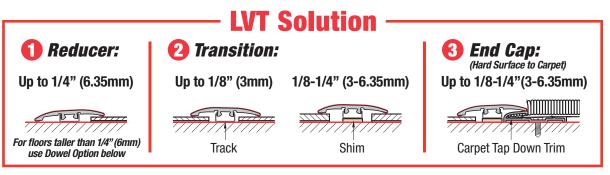
Dowel (Sold Separately)

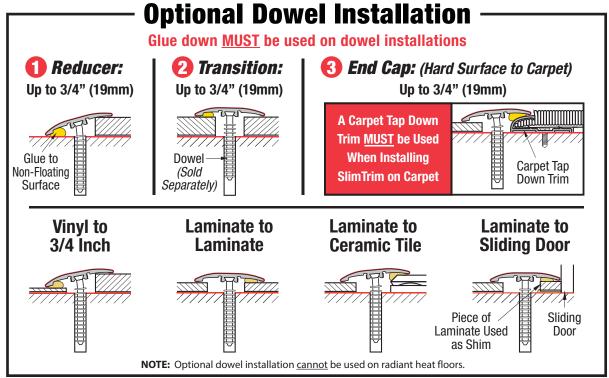
Optional use with Slim Trim for floors from up to 3/4'' (19mm). Comes as a tree of eight dowels.

Material: Polystyrene









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Solutions & Tools for problems that may arise

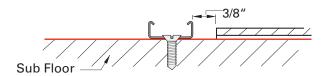
SlimTrim as a REDUCER

Use SlimTrack (Metal Track) for up to 6.35 mm floors.



Up to 1/4" (6.35 mm) Floors

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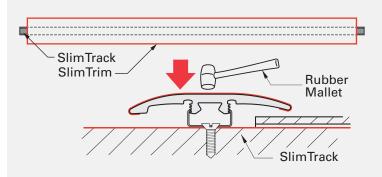
This end of the SlimTrim MUST be placed on the lower of the two surfaces.

Step 1



Install the flooring plank*. Then place the SlimTrack 3/8" from the floor and screw it to the sub-floor using #6x5/8" screws.

IMPORTANT: Rock SlimTrim back & forth to make sure it is sitting inside the track BEFORE hammering in!

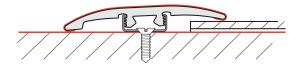


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Step 2

Line the SlimTrim molding up with the SlimTrack and fit one end into the molding. Using a rubber mallet, tap the molding until it engages with the track. Use your hand to guide the molding into the track as you work your way down, tapping it in, similar to how you would close a zip-loc bag.



Step 3

Next, go up and down the molding several times, tapping the Slim Trim all the way into the track. You can use a little more force once you are sure it is properly engaged in the track.

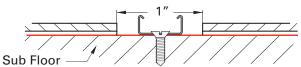
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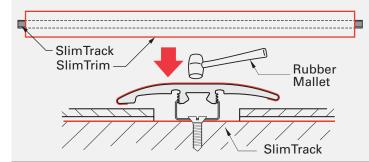
SlimTrim as a TRANSITION (T-MOLDING)

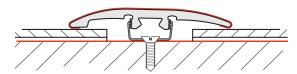
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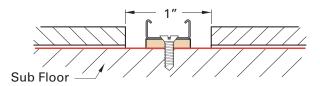


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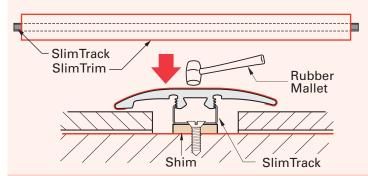


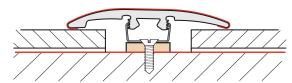


Use SlimTrack & Versatrack Shim for 4-6.35 mm floors. Use the same molding & track, just add Versatrack Shim.



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Up to 1/8" (3 mm) Floors

Step 1

Install the flooring planks* by leaving a 1" inch (25mm) gap for the installation of the SlimTrim. Center the SlimTrack between the two laminate floors and screw it to the sub floor by using #6x5/8" screws.



Step 2

Line the SlimTrim molding up with the SlimTrack and fit one end into the molding. Using a rubber mallet, tap the molding until it engages with the track. Use your hand to guide the molding into the track as you work your way down, tapping it in, similar to how you would close a zip-loc bag.

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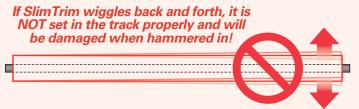
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1/8 to 1/4" (3-6.35 mm) Floors

Step 1

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Step 2

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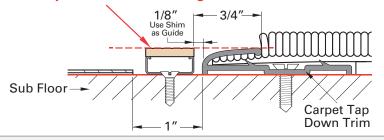
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Solutions & Tools for problems that may arise

SlimTrim as an FND CAP

Use SlimTrack (MetalTrack) for up to 3 mm floors.

NOTE: Carpet Tap Down trim must be no less than 1/8" from top of track. Use shim as guide, then remove it.



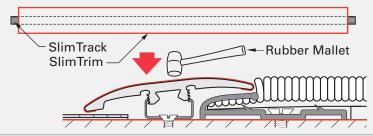
Up to 1/8" (3 mm) Floors

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Step 1

Install the flooring plank* and carpet (using a carpet tap down trim) by leaving a 1" inch (25mm) gap for the installation of the SlimTrim. Position the track 3/4" from where the of the Tap Down trim meets the carpet and screw it to the sub floor by using #6x5/8" screws. The carpet tap down trim must be no less than 1/8" from top of track. Use shim to make track and tap down trim even, then remove shim.

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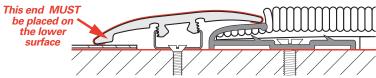


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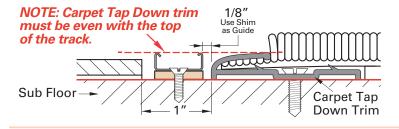
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Step 3

Next, go up and down the molding several times, tapping the SlimTrim all the way into the track. You can use a little more force once you are sure it is properly engaged in the track.



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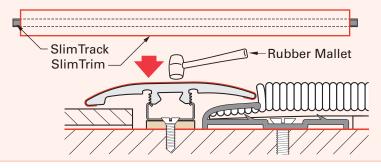


1/8 to 1/4" (3-6.35 mm) Floors

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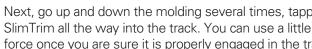
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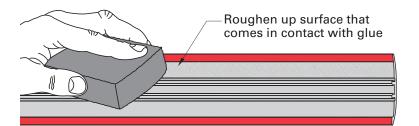
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SlimTrim as a TRANSITION - OPTIONAL DOWEL INSTALLATION

NOTE: SlimTrim Dowels are sold separately. Please contact your Sales Representative to order.



Step 1

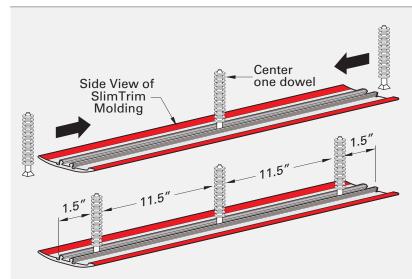
Install your flooring planks (See Step 3). Clean flooring and molding as directed below:

CLEANING PREPARATION FOR BOTH SURFACES

Preparing the floor & molding as outlined is mandatory to achieve the required bonding strength

- Use a damp cloth (water only) to clean both surfaces of loose particles or surface films.
- Roughen the surfaces with sandpaper (100-150 grit), sanding sponge or metal brush. For flooring, only roughen up area that will be covered (1.25" to 1.5").
- Degrease both surfaces to remove all traces of oil, grease, dust, and fingerprints by using a solvent such as methyl ethyl ketone (MEK), acetone or isopropyl alcohol.
- 4. Let both surfaces dry t oroughly before applying adhesive.



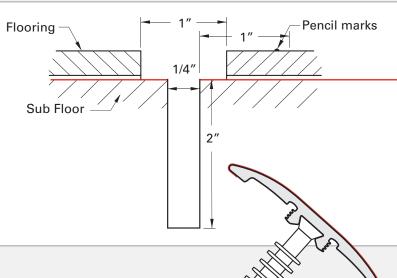


Step 2

Each dowel tree (sold separately), contains 8 dowels. Carefully cut or break dowels off of tree. Slide one dowel into molding groove and position in center of molding. Insert additional dowels from both ends. Space dowels 11.5" apart and 1.5" from ends.

NOTE: Dowels have to fit tightly for the molding to function properly. If you find the dowel is too difficult to slide in, take 100/120 grit sandpaper, lay it flat on a surface and sand down the dowel head slightly with a couple of passes.





Flooring

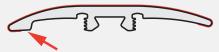
Sub Floor

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the use of underlayments, you may need
to shim the track to accommodate the

Step 3 increase in overall thickness

Install the flooring planks*, by leaving a 1" inch (25mm) gap for the installation of the molding. Draw a line on the flooring for the placement of the holes. Using a 1/4" drill bit, pre-drill holes into the flooring 2" deep. Be sure to use the same measurements as the dowels, keeping the holes 11.5" apart. With a pencil, mark on the floor where each dowel is located (You will need these for Step 7). Pencil marks should be about 1" from the pre-drilled holes.

NOTE: Be sure to vacuum pre-drilled holes.



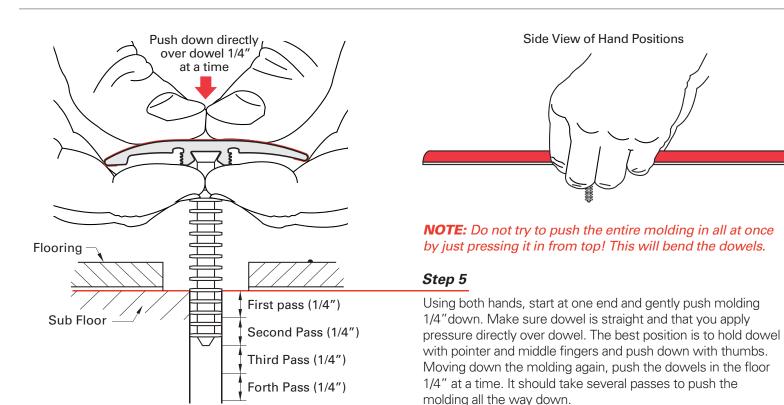
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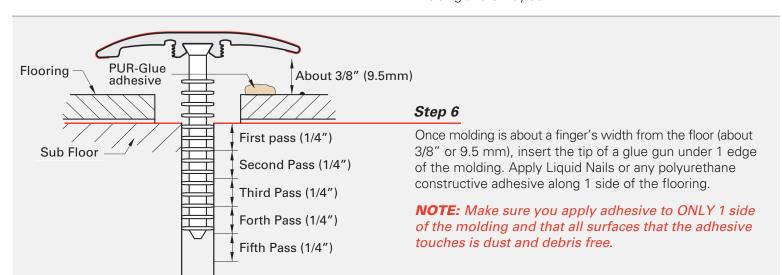
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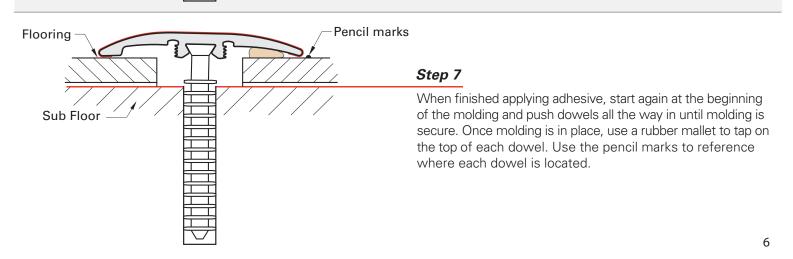
Pencil marks

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SlimTrim as a TRANSITION - OPTIONAL DOWEL INSTALLATION

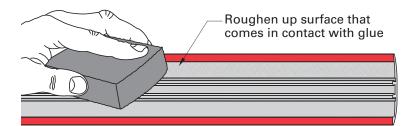






SlimTrim as a REDUCER - OPTIONAL DOWEL INSTALLATION

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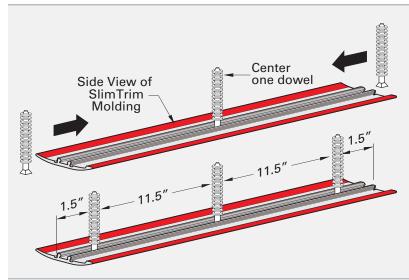
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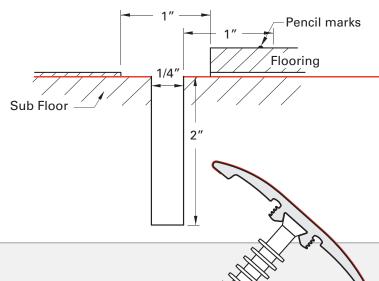


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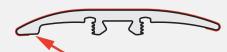
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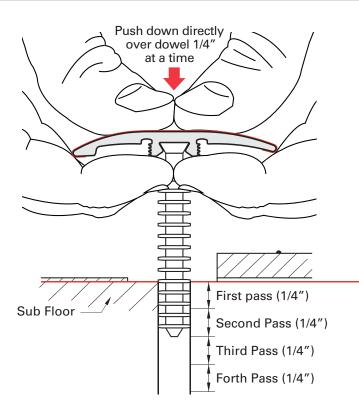
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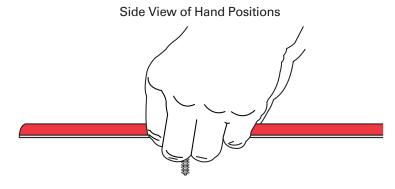
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SlimTrim as a REDUCER - OPTIONAL DOWEL INSTALLATION

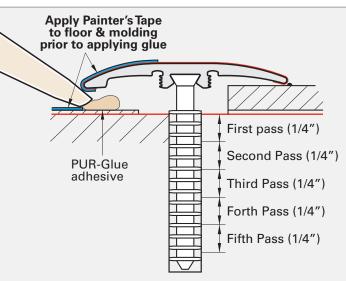




NOTE: Do not try to push the entire molding in all at once by just pressing it in from top! This will bend the dowels.

Step 5

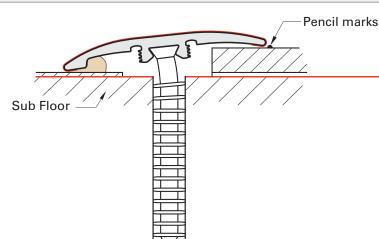
Using both hands, start at one end and gently push molding 1/4"down. Make sure dowel is straight and that you apply pressure directly over dowel. The best position is to hold dowel with pointer and middle fingers and push down with thumbs. Moving down the molding again, push the dowels in the floor 1/4" at a time. **Keep molding level as you tap it in.**



Step 6

Once the molding touches the highest of the 2 floors, insert the tip of a glue gun under 1 edge that will rest on the lower floor. Apply Liquid Nails or any polyurethane constructive adhesive under the molding. **Before applying glue, put painter's tape on the floor and the side of the molding receiving the glue.** Then push/tap molding down until it touches the floor. Carefully remove tape.

NOTE: Make sure you apply adhesive to ONLY 1 side of the molding and that all surfaces that the adhesive touches is dust and debris free.



Step 7

When finished applying adhesive, start again at the beginning of the molding and push dowels all the way in until molding is secure. Once molding is in place, use a rubber mallet to tap on the top of each dowel. Use the pencil marks to reference where each dowel is located.

SlimTrim - OPTIONAL DOWEL INSTALLATION: Installation for use on CONCRETE

SlimTrim Installation Instructions for Use on Concrete



Install flooring planks, leaving 1 inch gap for molding installation. Draw line on flooring for hole placement. Using a 1/4" concrete drill bit pre-drill 2" deep holes using same measurements as dowels. With pencil, mark on floor the location of each dowel. **BE SURE TO VACUUM PRE-DRILLED HOLES**.

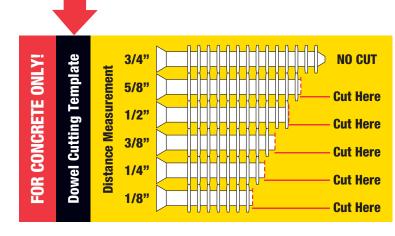


Lay a flat object over flooring and measure from the concrete at the center between the flooring up to the bottom of your object. This will give you the distance to use on the **Dowel Cutting Template** below.



Carefully cut or break dowels from Dowel Tree. Use the **Dowel Cutting Template** to the right to find your measurement on the template and lay your dowel over the number that matches your distance measurement.

With dowel on template, use a utility knife to cut dowel as indicated on **Dowel Cutting Template**. Repeat with all dowels that are to be used.





Clean floor and molding as directed below:

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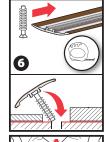
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- 3. Degrease both surfaces to remove all traces of oil, grease, dust, and fingerprints by using a solvent such as methyl ethyl ketone (MEK), acetone or isopropyl alcohol.
- 4. Let both surfaces dry thoroughly before applying adhesive.

Slide dowels into groove on bottom of the SlimTrim molding and position them according to template. Line up dowels with pre-drilled holes. Adjust dowels as needed.

NOTE: Dowels have to fit tightly for the molding to function properly. If you find the dowel is too difficult to slide in, take 100/120 grit sandpaper, lay it flat on a surface and sand down the dowel head slightly with a couple of passes (See Detail A at the right).



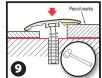




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When molding is a finger's width from the floor, insert tip of glue gun under one edge of molding and apply a polyurethane construction adhesive along one side of the flooring. MAKE SURE YOU APPLY ADHESIVE TO ONLY ONE SIDE OF THE MOLDING AND THAT ALL SURFACES THAT THE ADHESIVE TOUCHES IS DUST AND DEBRIS FREE.



When finished applying adhesive, start again at beginning of molding and push dowels all the way down until molding is secure. Use a rubber mallet to gently tap on top of each dowel until molding sits flush. Use pencil marks as reference.