



# *Risk Assessment for Carpet, Vinyl, Wood & Laminate Flooring Installation*

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***Item 1.***

*Removal of old flooring or floor-coverings using Stanley knives, floor-scrapers & tack-lifters.*

*Gloves & knee pads to be worn and waste/uplifted material cut up and removed from site by hand for commercial disposal.*

***Item 2.***

*Floor preparation as necessary. Removal of staples and nails. Floor-boards to have been previously secured by customer.*

*Application of latex screed with smooth-edge trowel if required. Application of hardboard or thin plywood with electronic stapler to remove possibility of penetration of pipes or cables under substrate.*

***Item 3.***

*For carpets, installation of pre-nailed, smooth-edge carpet gripper and door-bars to perimeter and thresholds with 18mm ring shank nails to wooden substrate or cut and stuck using grip fill adhesive to concrete substrate.*

***Item 4.***

*For carpets, installation of underlay using hammer stapler to wooden substrate and spray adhesive to concrete substrates.*

*For wood & laminate flooring, underlays loose-laid.*

**Item 5.**

*Carpets and vinyls etc installed using knee-kickers to stretch into position where applicable and Stanley knives to trim.*

**Item 6.**

*Wood & laminate flooring fitted using hand saws & electric jig-saws to cut.*

**Risk control / Manual Assessment.**

*Fitters to wear knee pads at all times and goggles, face-masks or respirators, ear-defenders, gloves and barrier cream where applicable.*

*Used Stanley blades to be removed from site.*

*All tools used by highly trained and experienced fitters.*

*All fitters are very experienced in handling flooring materials.*

*Trolleys to be used where practicable. Sufficient manpower to be available for heavy lifting.*

