

embedded in a waterproof adhesive, spread approximately 4 inches from seams and edges. Seams shall be rolled thoroughly and weighted with handbags, where necessary, to insure complete adhesion.

3.4.5. *Application of rubber or vinyl cove base* (14).—Rubber or vinyl cove base shall be applied after flooring has been completed, and the wall surface, to which the base is to be applied, is thoroughly dry. All cracks and voids in the wall shall be filled with an approved crack filler. Special base adhesive, as recommended by the floor-covering manufacturer, shall be applied to the back of the base with a notched trowel, leaving approximately ¼-inch bare space along the top edge of base. The base shall immediately be pressed firmly against the wall and moved gently into place, making sure that the toe is in contact with the floor and the wall. The entire surface of the base shall be rolled with a hand roller, and then the toe of the base shall be pressed firmly against the wall with a straight piece of wood. Corners shall be formed with factory preformed corners, by mitering base, or by forming sections of base on the job.

3.5. *Cleaning*.—Immediately upon completion of the installation in a room or an area, floors and adjacent surfaces shall be dry cleaned with an approved cleaner to remove surplus adhesive. No soon than 5 days after installation, floors shall be washed with an approved nonalkaline cleaning solution, rinsed thoroughly with clear cold water, and waxed with two coats of water-emulsion wax, buffed to an even luster with an electric polishing machine after each coat.

NOTES ON THE USE OF THIS SPECIFICATION

1. Paragraphs marked (N) are new and were not included in TS-RF1. Paragraphs marked (R) are revisions of paragraphs included in TS-RF1. Suggestions for improvement of type specifications will be welcomed and should be forwarded to the Bureau of Yards and Docks, code 41.230.

2. Greaseproof asphalt tile, conductive solid vinyl tile, fire-retardant vinyl asbestos tile, nonslip tile (asphalt or vinyl asbestos), cork tile, and linoleum tile are not included in this specification. Appropriate paragraphs must be included in the project specification when these are required.

3. For slabs in contact with the earth, but not waterproofed; for suspended slabs at or below grade, but not waterproofed (vapor barrier beneath slab is not considered waterproofing), specify only:

- a. Asphalt tile.
- b. Vinyl-asbestos tile.

4. For slabs in contact with the earth and waterproofed with a membrane in accordance with 7Y; for suspended slabs at or below grade and waterproofed with a membrane in accordance with 7Y, specify only:

- a. Asphalt tile.
- b. Vinyl-asbestos tile.
- c. Rubber tile.
- d. Vinyl tile.

5. For suspended floors above grade with ventilated areas below slab, specify only:

- a. Asphalt tile.
- b. Vinyl-asbestos tile.
- c. Rubber tile.
- d. Vinyl tile or roll.
- e. Linoleum.

6. For floors containing radiant heating, specify only:

- a. Asphalt tile.
- b. Vinyl-asbestos tile.
- c. Rubber tile (with special adhesives).
- d. Vinyl tile (with special adhesives).

Do not specify rubber tile or vinyl tile unless the conditions stated in paragraph 4 or 5 are also complied with.

7. The surfaces of lightweight concrete slabs tend to be too weak to support the bond of the adhesives for resilient flooring; therefore the lightweight concrete floors less than 90 pounds per cubic foot density specify a 1-inch topping of standard concrete in the "Concrete Construction" section of the project specification, and specify only:

- a. Asphalt tile.
- b. Vinyl-asbestos tile.
- c. Rubber tile.
- d. Vinyl tile.