

# 3M™ Safety-Walk™ Slip-Resistant Tapes and Treads

## Application Instructions:

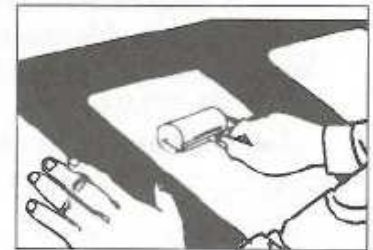
Tools Needed: 3M™ Safety-Walk™ Rubber Hand Roller, Rubber Mallet

1. Individual treads should be spaced a minimum of ½” apart and a maximum of 2” apart.
2. Round the corners of any treads cut from rolls.
3. Peel protective liner back about 2” from one end and position the piece on the surface.

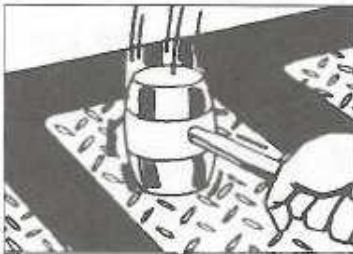


***Important: Minimize touching the exposed adhesive with fingers.***

4. Continue to remove liner. Press firmly in place as liner is removed.
5. For small treads: Peel liner off tread. Holding tread by its edges, curve it gently with the adhesive side out. Align the middle of the target surface and press down.
6. Finally, press into the 3M™ Safety-Walk™ Slip-Resistant Material surface with firm contact using a rubber hand roller by starting in the middle and rolling out towards the edges.



7. For applying 3M™ Safety-Walk™ Slip-Resistant Conformable Tapes and Treads, use a very soft-headed rubber mallet to ensure product conformability to the surface. Pound the edges down extra hard.
8. On steps, apply 3M™ Safety-Walk Material ½” from the stair edge to prevent edge curl and premature wear.





## Surface Preparation Instructions:

1. Make sure the surface is clean, dry, smooth and above minimum application temperature when applying 3M™ Safety-Walk™ Slip-Resistant Material. Repair or replace any broken or damaged surface.

### Minimum Application Temperatures

• Coarse	• Fine Resilient
• General Purpose	
• Medium Resilient	
• Conformable	
40° F (4° C)	50° F (10° C)

2. Remove chipped, cracked or peeled paint prior to applying 3M™ Safety-Walk™ Material.
3. Remove loose residue from surface.
4. Remove floor finish from floor prior to application.
5. Referring to the SURFACE PREPARATION TABLE below, use appropriate cleaner or solvent wipe to clean surface. After cleaning, allow to dry thoroughly.

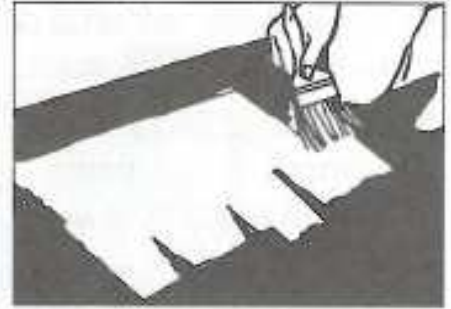
### Surface Preparation Table

Surface	Solvent Wipe*	Strip Floor Finish, Degrease, Wash & Rinse**	Prime Coat Recommended
Bare metal/polyethylene/polypropylene	X		NO
Painted metal or plastic/painted wood/gel coated fiberglass/epoxy-coated floor	X	X	NO
Rough or smooth porous concrete		X	YES
Painted or coated smooth concrete		X	NO
Vinyl tile/marble/terrazzo/ceramic		X	NO
Quarry tile***		X	YES

\*Use solvent suitable for removing grease and oil. Follow solvent manufacturer's directions for proper handling.

\*\*Use detergent, degreaser or stripping chemical as appropriate.

\*\*\*Not recommended for use in commercial kitchens



## **Surface Priming Instructions:**

1. Prime clean, dry, porous surfaces with 3M™ Safety-Walk™ Primer, especially:
  - a. Uncoated concrete surfaces
  - b. Coated, painted or porous concrete if surface is excessively rough.
2. Priming instructions:
  - a. Properly clean the surface following “Surface Preparation” Instructions.
  - b. Use a paint brush to apply a thin coat of 3M™ Safety-Walk™ Primer where the treads are to be placed. Typical coverage area for a quart is 30 sq. ft.
  - c. Allow the primed area to dry thoroughly (no evidence of stickiness or tackiness) before applying 3M™ Safety-Walk™ Slip-Resistant Material. Approximate drying time for the primer is 15 minutes.

### **Important for Proper Application and Service Life**

1. All surfaces must be clean, dry, smooth and above recommended temperature before applying product.
2. Rough or porous surfaces must be primed with 3M™ Safety-Walk™ Primer for proper adhesion.
3. 3M™ Safety-Walk™ Rubber Hand Roller should be used to assure a firm bond with applying all 3M™ Safety-Walk™ Slip-Resistant Materials.
4. For extra protection from excessive moisture or liquids, use 3M™ Safety-Walk™ Edge Sealing Compound. 3M™ Safety-Walk™ Slip-Resistant Materials are not recommended for continuous immersion in water.
5. 3M™ Safety-Walk™ Slip-Resistant Materials can be applied on most painted surfaces which are in good condition and will adhere only as well as the base paint. Painted surfaces must be thoroughly dry before the application of 3M™ Safety-Walk™ Slip-Resistant Material.
6. Treated or untreated wood must be painted prior to application of slip-resistant materials.
7. Do not apply 3M™ Safety-Walk™ Materials over surfaces with constant water or moisture seepage.
8. Do not apply 3M™ Safety-Walk™ Materials over tile grouting. Also, avoid cracks in concrete and breaks in all surfaces.
9. 3M™ Safety-Walk™ Slip-Resistant Tapes and Treads are not recommended for quarry tile in commercial kitchens.

## Maintenance Instructions

- To maintain product effectiveness, the application should be inspected periodically to ensure serviceability.
- To ensure that 3M™ Safety-Walk™ Slip-Resistant Tapes and Treads are kept free of dirt and other residue that might impair functionality:
  - Coarse, General Purpose and Conformable Tapes and Treads should be DECK BRUSHED regularly.
  - Fine and Medium Resilient Tapes and Treads should be MOPPED OR DECK BRUSHED regularly.
- Use appropriate degreaser/cleaner as a general maintenance liquid to keep material and surroundings surfaces dirt and grease free.
- To remove and replace worn or torn material:
  - Start by pulling up old material. Use of a heat gun may assist in this process.
  - After removal of old material, use 3M™ General Purpose Adhesive Remover (08987) or an equivalent product to soften adhesive residue and allow scraping of the surface in preparation for product replacement.

### **Important Notice to Purchaser**

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