

# **Climb**™

#### HARDWOOD WALL PLANK & TREAD CAP ADHESIVE

### **KEY FEATURES**

- Extremely strong, durable bond
- Easy to clean, even after cure
- Helps eliminate squeaking & reduces sound



Bostik Climb™ is a one-component, easy gunning, non-sag adhesive that is specifically formulated for hardwood flooring, planks and blocks on interior, above-grade walls and installation of stair tread caps. The Climb™ formula has superior green grab (grab strength while wet) and cures quickly to form a tenacious bond. Once cured, Climb™ remains tough yet flexible for extreme durability, helps reduce stair squeaking, and reduces the sound of footsteps on the stairs. This specialty formulation is also easy to clean off of flooring, prefinished tread caps and risers even after cure. Climb™ has 0% solvents and low odor.

#### **ELASTOMERIC PERFORMANCE**

Climb™ has superior elasticity allowing the adhesive to move with the wood as it expands and contracts with changes in humidity and temperature over the life of the stair tread or hardwood flooring.

#### **APPLICATIONS**

- Adhesion to sub floor assemblies of plywood, OSB, solid hardwood, engineered hardwood, or existing wood floor treads & risers.
- May eliminate squeaks and nail pops when used in conjunction with mechanical fasteners
- Adhesion to drywall, plywood, concrete, or masonry in dry, abovegrade applications

#### **LEED® CONTRIBUTION**

This low VOC formulation (as calculated per SCAQMD Rule 1168), may contribute toward LEED® credits under section NC-v2.2 EQ 4.1: Low-Emitting Materials—Adhesives & Sealants.

#### **DIRECTIONS FOR USE**

Read and understand data sheet completely before beginning installation. Follow industry standards, as well as stair tread cap manufacturer's recommendations for acclimation, design, layout and application of wood flooring material. If jobsite conditions are outside of flooring manufacturer's recommendations, take necessary corrective actions. WARNING: On stair tread cap applications, Climb™ is to be used in conjunction with mechanical fasteners to prevent movement of the stair tread cap while the adhesive cures.



Failure to use appropriate mechanical fasteners may lead to slipping or falling down the staircase. See installation instructions for more detail.

#### SURFACE PREPARATION

Surface must be clean, dry and smooth; free of voids, projections, and loose materials. Finishes, oils, greases, sealers, waxes and all other surface contaminants must be sanded down to bare wood.

#### **INSTALLATION**

Cut the tip of the nozzle at a 45 degree angle to produce a bead of adhesive between 1/4" and 3/8" in diameter. Puncture the foil seal inside nozzle

**Hardwood Wall Planks:** Gun adhesive onto the back of the wall plank in an "S" pattern within 1" (2.5cm) of long edges and repeating every 6-8" (15-20cm). Press wall plank firmly into place and secure with brad nails along the tongue every 6-8" to ensure the board does not slip or slide before the adhesive is fully cured.

**Stair Treads Caps:** Dry fit all parts prior to application of the adhesive to ensure a proper fit. Gun adhesive onto the back of the stair tread cap approximately 1" from the edge around the entire perimeter, then apply an "S" pattern repeating every 6-8" between the perimeter beads. Run one additional bead along the corner of the front molding. Press tread cap firmly into place and secure with brad nails along the back edge every 6-8" to ensure the tread does not slip or slide before the adhesive is fully cured. Weights applied to each side of the stair tread until cure are recommended to improve contact.

Reposition work, if necessary, prior to adhesive skinning; usually in 15 minutes. Lower relative humidity and temperature will extend curing time. Although relatively easy to remove  $Climb^{TM}$  from the face of prefinished hardwood even after cure, it is recommended to clean with a non-abrasive towel as you work prior to cure.

**Stair Risers:** Dry fit all parts prior to application of the adhesive to ensure a proper fit. Gun adhesive onto the back of the stair riser approximately 1" from the edge around the entire perimeter, then press firmly into place and secure with a few brad nails around perimeter.

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#### **CLEAN UP**

While Climb™ bonds tenaciously to wood, it is designed not to bond with most finishes on pre-finished flooring making it relatively easy to remove from the finish even after cure. Although it is relatively easy to remove after cure, it is recommended to clean with a non-abrasive towel as you work prior to cure. After cure, adhesive may be removed with a plastic scraper and dry, non-abrasive towel, taking care not to damage the finish. Immediately clean all tools and equipment before material cures.

#### STORAGE/SHELF LIFE

Store at temperatures between 50°F (10°C) and 100°F (38°C). Shelf life is one year from date of manufacturing in closed, original packaging.

#### LIMITATIONS

- $\cdot \quad \text{Until the adhesive is fully cured, do not expose to mechanical stresses.}$
- Hardwood wall planks not to exceed 8.5 pounds per square foot (41.5 kg per square meter).
- · Do not install over vinyl/VCT.
- · For above-grade application only.
- · Not intended for ceiling applications.
- Substrates limited to plywood, OSB, concrete and approved drywall. Do not use on Greenboard drywall.
- Temperature should be between 50°F (10°C) and 95°F (35°C) during installation.
- Before installing, completely remove all finishes, adhesive residue, and other surface contaminants from the existing tread by sanding.
- Please refer to the tread cap or flooring manufacturer's recommendations for proper acclimation.

#### **PACKAGING**

Available in 10.1 oz cartridges, 12 per case.

### **CAUTION**

IRRITANT. MAY IRRITATE EYES, SKIN OR RESPIRATORY TRACT. CONTENTS MAY BE HARMFUL IF SWALLOWED OR INHALED. Methanol may form during curing. Do not breathe fumes. Do not get in eyes, on skin or on clothing. Do not swallow. Handle with care. Use only in a well ventilated area or wear a mask. Wear protective clothing including gloves. Wash thoroughly after handling. Store in a cool, dry area. Do not reuse container.

#### KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN

# **FIRST AID TREATMENT**

Contains Diisodecyl Phthalate (DIDP) and Titanium Dioxide inextricably bound in a polymer matrix. If in eyes or on skin, rinse well with water. If on clothes, remove clothes. If inhaled, move person into fresh air. If swallowed, call a Poison Control Center or doctor immediately. Do not induce vomiting.

#### SEE SAFETY DATA SHEET

CHEMICAL EMERGENCY: 800-424-9300 (USA),

703-527-3887 (International)

**MEDICAL EMERGENCY: 866-767-5089** 

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CHEMICAL	& PHYSICAL PROPERTIES	
Chemical Properties	Chemistry Type	1-Part Silyl Modified Polymer
	Adhesive Type	Moisture Cure
	Solvent percentage	0%
	VOC Compliant (calculated per	Yes (<30 g/L)
	SCAQMD Rule 1168)	165 (< 30 g/L)
	Flash Point, closed cup	>200°F (93.3°C)
Use Environment	New Construction	Yes
	Remodel	Yes
	Residential	Yes
	Offices/Light Commerical	Yes
	Heavy Commercial	Yes
	Offices	Yes
	Hospital	Yes
	Multifamily	Yes
	Highrise	Yes
	Exterior	No
	Wet Areas	No
Substrates	Plywood	Yes
	OSB	Yes
	Existing hardwood treads	Yes, sanded
	Terrazzo	No
	Ceramic Tile	No
	Concrete	Yes, vertical
	Gypsum Underlayments	No
	Cement Patch/Underlayment	No
	Well-Bonded Vinyl	No
Stair Tread Types	Solid Hardwood Tread Cap or Riser	Yes
	Engineered Hardwood Tread	Yes
	Cap or Riser	
	Bamboo Tread Cap or Riser	Yes
	HDF Tread Cap or Riser	Yes
Application Properties	New Structural Stair Tread	No
	Ease of Gunning	Easy
	Odor	Mild
	Open/Working Time*	90 min
	Color	White
	Density (lbs/gallon)	14.7 0%
	Percentage of Water** Adhesive Coverage Required	0%
	for Bond:	
		1/4" min bead around
	Tread Cap	entire perimeter and "S"
	& Wall Plank	pattern repeating 8" max
	Domadal Disar	1/4" min bead around
	Remodel Riser	entire perimeter
	Application Temperature	50°F to 95°F
		(10°C to 35°C)
Cured Physical Properties	Cure Time*	
	Light Foot Traffic	6-8 hrs
	Regular Traffic	8-12 hrs
	Elongation	>180%
	Service Temperature	-40°F to 150°F
	·	(-40°C to 66°C)
LEED®	EQ 4.1: Low-Emitting Materials: VOC (as calculated per SCAQMD	< 30 a/l
Contribution	Rule 1168)	< 30 g/L
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- Humidity affects cure to a greater degree than temperature; the higher the humidity, the faster the cure.
- Per ASTM E203-01 Standard Test Method for water using Volumetric Karl Fischer Titration Method. Results rounded to the nearest tenth. Test Method has error range of +/- 0.2%.

#### **BOSTIK HOTLINE**

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