

# CARMEN'S ONE™

## URETHANE FLOORING ADHESIVE WITH ADVANCED MOISTURE PROTECTION IN EVERY BUCKET

### TECHNICAL DATA SHEET

#### MOISTURE AND ACOUSTICAL BARRIER

**Carmen's One™** is a high-performance one-component moisture cure urethane adhesive.

#### FEATURES

- NO HOLLOW SPOTS
- Superior ridge retention
- Contains no water
- Powerful urethane bond strength
- Outstanding green strength
- Extremely easy to trowel
- Easy to clean
- LEED® Qualified & California Proposition 65 Compliant

#### TYPICAL APPLICATIONS

**Carmen's One™** is ideal for glue-down installations on all grades of all types of engineered, solid or acrylic impregnated wood flooring, bamboo and wood flooring to all subfloors common to wood flooring.

#### SUBFLOOR PREPARATION

**Carmen's One™** can be used over subfloors that meet the National Wood Flooring Association (NWFA) standards: concrete, plywood, OSB, terrazzo, and ceramic. If the type of subfloor that you want to apply **Carmen's One™** to is not NWFA approved, please contact a **Carmen's One™** representative for instructions.

Ensure that the subfloor is structurally sound, smooth, dry, properly cured, clean and free from dust, dirt, grease, oil, plaster, paint, old adhesive, wax, curing agents, sealers, cutback or other asphaltic-based residue and any other contaminants that could interfere with a good adhesive bond. For application of **Carmen's One™** over ceramic tiles, it is necessary to grind the tile surfaces and clean thoroughly with an industrial vacuum cleaner.

Before starting the installation, carefully check that the subfloor is flat. Eliminate dips and crowns that exceed 3/16" (4.8 mm) in a 10 feet (3 m) radius by patching or sanding/grinding. Do not use **Carmen's One™** as a leveling agent. Where needed, use only Portland cement based patching and leveling compound. Always follow the wood manufacturers' recommendations for subfloor moisture, subfloor levelness, and expansion space and acclimation requirements. Repair all cracks in the subfloor greater than 1/8" (3 mm) before applying **Carmen's One™**

Moisture tests must be performed on all concrete subfloors regardless of grade level or age. Moisture testing must be performed in accordance to ASTM F-1869 – Calcium Chloride Test, or ASTM F-2170 – in situ RH Probe Test. Always refer to the wood flooring manufacturer for subfloor moisture requirements and testing procedures before proceeding with the installation. Do not use if the substrate exceeds the wood flooring manufacturer's moisture limits.

Where moisture levels exceed the wood flooring manufacturers' limits, apply **Carmen's One™** to reduce excessive moisture levels. (Refer to Carmen's One™ technical data sheets.)

**Concrete Subfloors:** Must be cured a minimum of 28 days and pH must be between 7-10. If not, take corrective measures before proceeding.

**Terrazzo:** All polishes and glaze compounds must be completely stripped and surface must be abraded by sanding. After sanding thoroughly vacuum (NO sweeping), to remove all loose dust particles. After vacuuming clean the entire substrate with mineral spirits and allow drying before installing the wood flooring.

**Plywood and OSB Type Subfloors:** All panels must be APA approved and securely fastened. Eliminate all squeaks and movement with SCREWS (not nails). Sand all high joints. Fill and patch low areas. Refer to wood flooring manufacturer for guidelines of moisture content difference between properly acclimated wood flooring and subflooring materials. (Typically should not exceed 4%)

**Radiant Heated Subfloors:** **Carmen's One™** is approved for use on hydronic system radiant heated subfloors, provided the wood flooring is approved over radiant heated subfloors. The system must be fully embedded in concrete. Lightweight or gypsum based topping must be primed for glue down installation. Turn off the heat 48 hours prior to the installation and leave the heat off until 48 hours after the installation is completed.

#### INSTALLATION

1. Read and understand all Safety Data Sheets and the **Carmen's One™** Floor Covering Adhesives Limited Liability Warranty prior to installation.
2. Follow all requirements provided by the wood flooring manufacturer, including those related to wood flooring acclimation, room temperature and humidity levels, environmental controls, expansion space and layout;
3. Follow the instructions for the Subfloor preparation found above.
4. Follow the instructions for "Trowel Selection" below and select the appropriate notched trowel for the type of wood you are installing. For proper adhesive bond 90% transfer of adhesive to the flooring is required. Periodically check to insure good transfer is achieved;



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Base	Urethane Adhesive 4 Gallon
Flash Point	>152 F ( >67°C)
Color	Luxurious Cream
VOC Content	<100 grams / Liter
Consistency	Creamy Liquid
Trowelability	Smooth
Shelf Life	1 Year from Date of Manufacture in Unopened pail
Storage	40°-95°F in a cool dry location
Application Temperature	65°-95°F (18°-35°C)
Traffic Restrictions	Foot Traffic after 8 hours, Heavy Traffic 24 hours
Open Time	Up to 90 Minutes, depending on ambient conditions
Freeze Thaw Stability	Store Above 40°F in a cool dry location
Acoustical Data	IIC – 69 dB STC – 66 dB IIC – 50 (No drop ceiling)
Tensile Strength	395>PSI

- Apply **Carmen's One™** to the subfloor with recommended trowel and lay the wood floor onto the "wet" adhesive. NOTE: Do not set flooring into adhesive that has a dry skin. The "open time" of the adhesive will vary according to the temperature and humidity level-the higher the temperature and humidity, the shorter the open time.
- It is the sole responsibility of the installer to determine the suitability and compatibility of the adhesive for the user's intended use.
- Subfloor must have no – pre-existing moisture conditions or failures from conditions of high alkali or hydrostatic pressure.
- Trowel Selection: The proper notch trowel is very important in achieving satisfactory results with **Carmen's One™**. Use of an incorrect trowel will void all warranties.

#### CLEAN UP:

Use any quality adhesive remover, removes any smudges from the wood floor surface as well as tools and equipment before the adhesive dries. Carefully use a soft cloth and remove **Carmen's One™** while it is still wet to not damage the floor. In case if it is dried on, you can take a dry paper towel, rub the area and it will remove the adhesive film off the product with no damage to the surface.

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#### WARRANTY:

**Carmen's One™** offers a limited warranty for this product when used in accordance with printed specifications. A copy of the limited warranty can be obtained by calling technical service at **888-5-227636** or visiting [www.carmensinc.com](http://www.carmensinc.com)

