



INSTALLATION WITH STAPLES

TOOLS YOU WILL NEED:

- Utility knife with extra blades
- Wide, stiff putty knife

- Measuring tape
- Scissors

- Staple gun
- Heavy-duty staples (1/2" minimum)

STEP ONE PREPARE THE ROOM

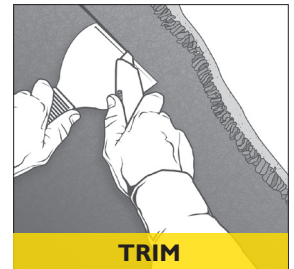
- Remove all furniture, old carpeting and any old tack strip
- Sweep and vacuum floor
- Remove doors
- Check room measurements
- If possible, pre-cut the carpet 4"- 6" larger than room size (Note: there's no need to remove the baseboards)



PREPARE

STEP TWO INSTALL THE CARPET

- Center the carpet piece in the room allowing a 2"- 3" excess to run up the walls
- Smooth the carpet from center of the room towards walls
- Staple to the floor, as close to the wall as possible
- Tap staples in with a hammer if necessary as you go around the room



TRIM

STEP THREE TRIM THE CARPET

- Use the putty knife to crease the carpet between the floor wall
- Use the utility knife to trim excess carpet
- Staple where needed

TIPS

- When taking your measurements, be sure to measure to the center of doorways and to the back of closets
- If you have to make a seam, do it first! (see seaming section)
- If one wall is straight with no thresholds or projections you can butt the carpet up to the wall and trim the other three sides.
- When cutting carpet, use sharp blades and hold the knife almost parallel to the floor while cutting in the crease
- Door bottoms may have to be trimmed to allow for clearance once the carpet is installed
- Use heavy-duty staples (minimum of 1/2" long)
- Use no more staples than necessary to securely hold the carpet
- On hardwood, it may be necessary to tap the staple with a small hammer to drive the staple in fully – do this as you go

