



# Modularity for Multifamily

MERGING **BEAUTY, COMFORT**  
AND **FUNCTIONALITY**

**Interface®**



THE ULTIMATE FLOORING INNOVATION:

# TACTILES!

Who would have imagined that a 3" x 3" square that's sticky on one side would be one of the most important game changers in the floorcovering industry? Interface did.

In 2006, we launched our patented TacTiles® glue-free carpet installation system, enabling you to move away from glued down carpet and adopt a smarter, more flexible, “systems” approach to your buildings’ floors. With TacTiles connectors, you can create a dimensionally stable “floating” floor that doesn’t connect to the subfloor:

- **MINIMIZING FUTURE FLOOR PREP EXPENSES**
- **SIMPLIFYING SELECTIVE REPLACEMENT OF STAINED OR DAMAGED CARPET TILES**
- **PROVIDING SUPERIOR DESIGN FLEXIBILITY**

Simply put, transitioning to a TacTiles installation with Interface carpet tile can maximize return on investment and save you money.

See how a glue-free installation works at [interface.com/multifamily](https://www.interface.com/multifamily).



# MINIMIZE FUTURE FLOOR PREP

SWITCHING TO OUR **GLUE-FREE** FLOORING PUTS AN **END TO HARSH AND TEDIOUS FLOOR PREP — FOREVER.**

Our carpet tiles adhere to each other, not the subfloor beneath, with glue-free connectors that create a stable floating floor—making future floor prep for replacements or renovations simple. Our glue-free system significantly minimizes the mess and glue-removal cost associated with installing and removing glued down carpeting.



*When you tear out stubborn, glue down broadloom carpet, sections of the subfloor, such as gypsum concrete, can adhere to the back of the flooring and cause much-needed repair before the next flooring installation. Upon repair, switching to a glue-free installation system eliminates this from future floor prep.*

What does this mean for you? By transitioning your flooring to Interface modular carpet tiles with TacTiles connectors, asset management of your building's carpeting gets a whole lot easier. By replacing tiles on an as-needed basis, you have unlimited design flexibility and the best part is that you maximize the return on investment. It's a win-win for everyone.

S105™ 9769 Charcoal  
PlushMix™ 103840 GranitePlush

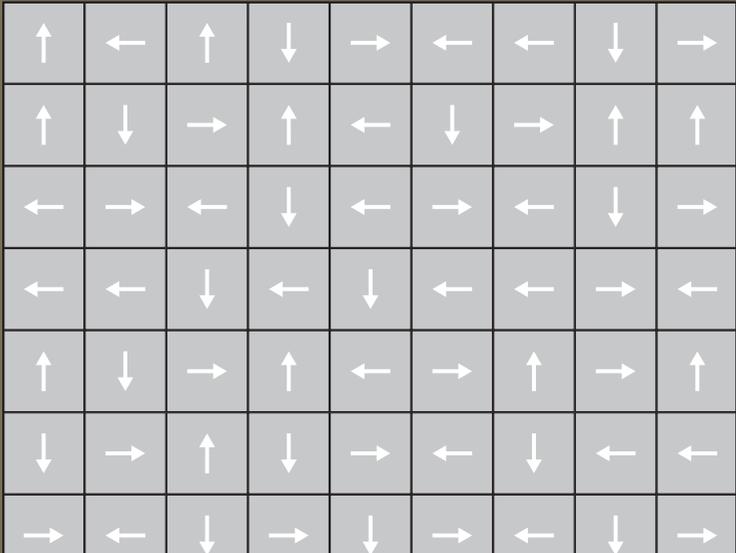


DOING IT NATURE'S WAY:

# MERGEABLE DYE LOTS

Interface's i2® styles incorporate the most important innovation in carpet tile design—mergeable dye lots. Our i2 tiles vary in patterning and coloring within one style and colorway. They blend, not match, so tiles from different dye lots work together no matter when they're purchased or installed, eliminating the need for attic stock and enabling phased renovations. Inspired by the random scatter of leaves on a forest floor, many of our i2 styles are also designed to be installed in any direction or orientation.

Interface carpet tiles allow for selective replacement and reconfiguration. In-house staff can quickly and easily replace stained or damaged tiles or make design adjustments to the existing floor, eliminating the need to hire expensive outside contractors. Considering 80% of the wear impacts only 20% of your carpet, our products can drive down your carpet investment—extending the life of the carpet and making it a far more practical and affordable choice than broadloom or luxury vinyl tile (LVT).



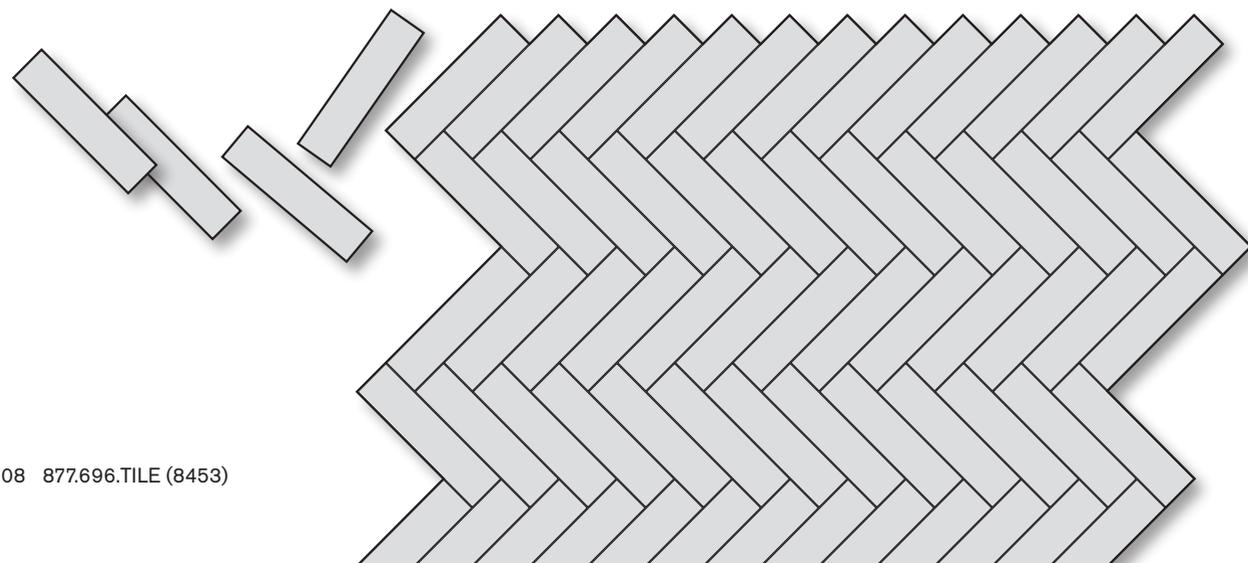
The Standard™ 9364 Bluefish  
On Line™ 103795 Ocean

THE SOFTER SIDE OF LVT:

# THE REAL SKINNY (PLANKS)

Interface shocked the broadloom world by introducing carpet tile to North America over 40 years ago. Now our skinny planks are creating the same excitement. Bringing new proportion and scale to modular flooring, these 25cm x 1m planks offer endless design flexibility.

And if you like the look of LVT, you'll love the beauty and versatility of our skinny planks. They offer several distinct advantages unachievable with LVT, including softness, warmth and acoustical superiority.

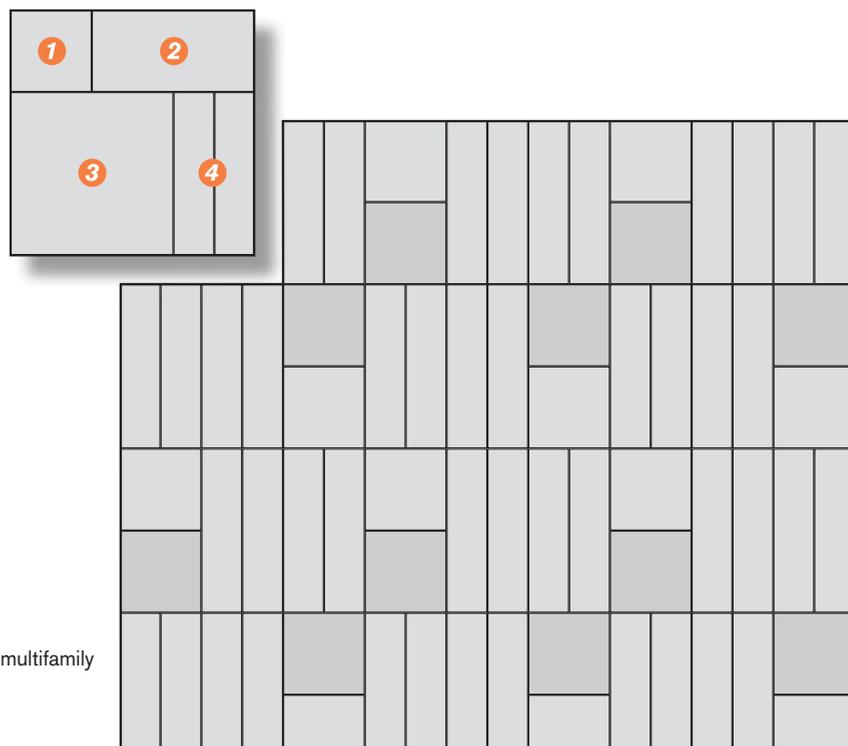


# A SMARTER FLOORING SYSTEM

Our dimensionally compatible modular system of glue-free carpet tiles can be used to create cool spaces for residence buildings using an unlimited palette of shapes, colors, patterns and textures. Format options include:

- ① 50 CM X 50 CM (19.7 IN X 19.7 IN)
- ② 50 CM X 1 M PLANKS (19.7 IN X 39.4 IN)
- ③ 1 M X 1 M (39.4 IN X 39.4 IN)
- ④ 25 CM X 1 M SKINNY PLANKS (8.35 IN X 39.4 IN)

You can even mix shapes, sizes, colors and/or textures to design large scale patterns throughout common areas, mark specific activity zones or simply to disguise routine traffic patterns without the hassle of buckling, wrinkling, seaming or unnecessary waste.





Whole Earth™ Collection  
WE151™ 104468 Cappuccino



1 Reclaim™ 104146 Worn Olive  
Reclaim™ 104145 Antique Grey



2 Duo™ 103868 Straw  
Trio™ 103876 Sand/Straw



3 Raw™ 101057 Foundry



4 On Line™ 103787 Pewter  
Reclaim™ 104145 Antique Grey  
Reclaim™ 104143 Faded Denim  
On Line™ 103786 Ink

# HOW THE SYSTEM WORKS

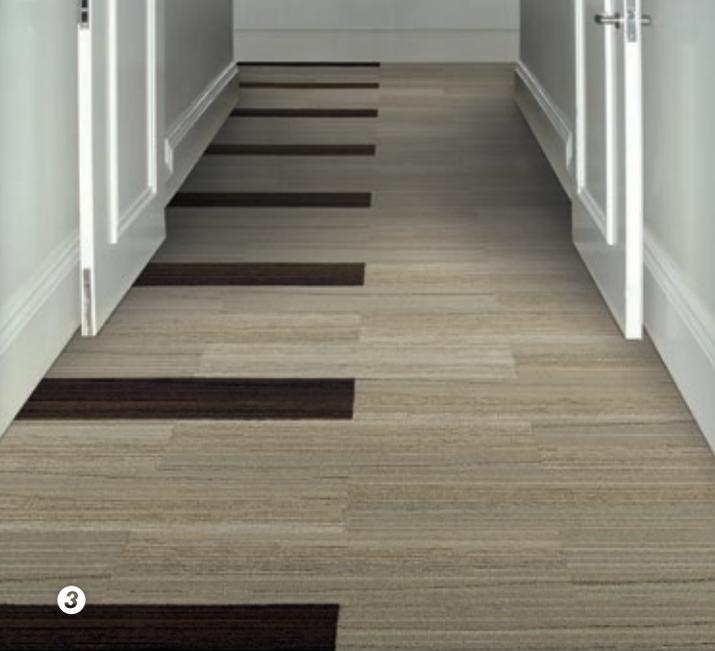
From organic inspirations to large scale patterning, our design flexibility offers endless possibilities. With so many square and plank styles and colors to choose from, you're sure to find the right combination for any space, including high traffic areas like corridors. You can design on your own using our floors design tool or see more design inspirations at [interface.com](https://www.interface.com).



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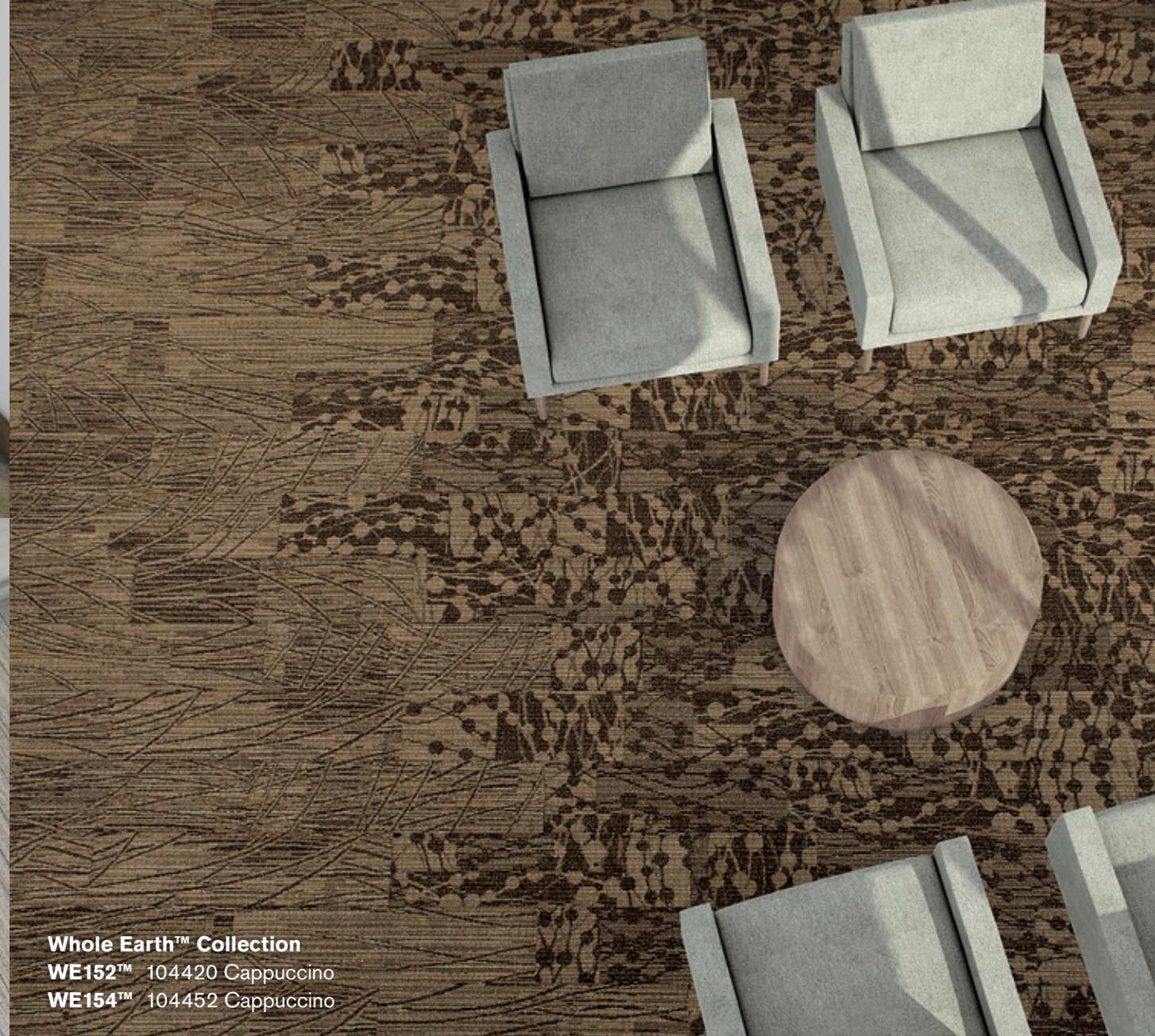
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**Whole Earth™ Collection**  
**WE152™** 104420 Cappuccino  
**WE154™** 104452 Cappuccino

**1** **Nimbus™** 103709 Graphite  
**On Line™** 103794 Lagoon  
**Sidetrack™** 104260 Nubian/Track

**2** **Nimbus™** 103703 Sage  
**Nimbus™** 103704 Patina  
**Nimbus™** 103707 Slate

**3** **Walk The Plank™** 8763 Walnut  
**Walk The Plank™** 8765 Poplar

**4** **Silver Linings™ Collection**  
**SL920™** 104516 Stone Line

*CORRIDOR  
CALLIDUS REPORT: BROADLOOM*

area	net	gross	waste	perimeter
 UNITS – 12' BL: width 12': cutTol2.36": seam 1531'1.2"				
area count = 50	3043.21sy	3462.20sy	12.10%	3167'5.5"
 CORRIDORS – 12' BL: width 12': cutTol2.36": seam 381'6.6"				
area count = 13	461.41sy	605.96sy	<b>23.85%</b>	1756'8.1"
Plan Total	3504.62sy			4924'1.6"



*CORRIDOR  
CALLIDUS REPORT: i2 50CM CARPET TILE*

area	net	gross	waste	perimeter
 UNITS – INTERFACE I2 50CM TILE:1'7.7"x 1'7.7" [split 2637: full 8851]				
area count = 1	3043.21sy	3271.78sy	6.99%	3167'5.5"
 CORRIDORS – INTERFACE I2 50CM TILE:1'7.7"x 1'7.7" [split 672 : full 1118]				
area count = 1	461.41sy	494.73sy	<b>6.74%</b>	1756'8.1"
Plan Total	3504.62sy			4924'6.1"



# KNOW THE WASTE FACTOR:

Using Interface carpet tile cuts installation waste dramatically—and we can prove it. Callidus is an estimating software Interface uses to calculate installation yardage and waste factors for any flooring material (carpet tile, broadloom, LVT, etc.) being used for a project. The summary report shows the gross and net numbers of material usage along with the overall installation waste percentage.

The Callidus report above compares the waste factor of broadloom and Interface's 50cm carpet tile in a multifamily housing corridor 200' L x 5' W. Notice the significant waste savings Interface provides compared to broadloom.

# LIFE CYCLE COST ANALYSIS: CORRIDORS

Interface modular carpet tile provides significant cost savings for multifamily environments compared to broadloom. Consider this life cycle analysis with noted costs based on national averages. As you can see, when looking at all of the cost factors associated with a carpet installation, modular carpet provides the best value for your investment. With selective replacement, you can extend the useful life of 80% of your carpeting from 5 to 7 years to 20 years, thereby saving you money and time.

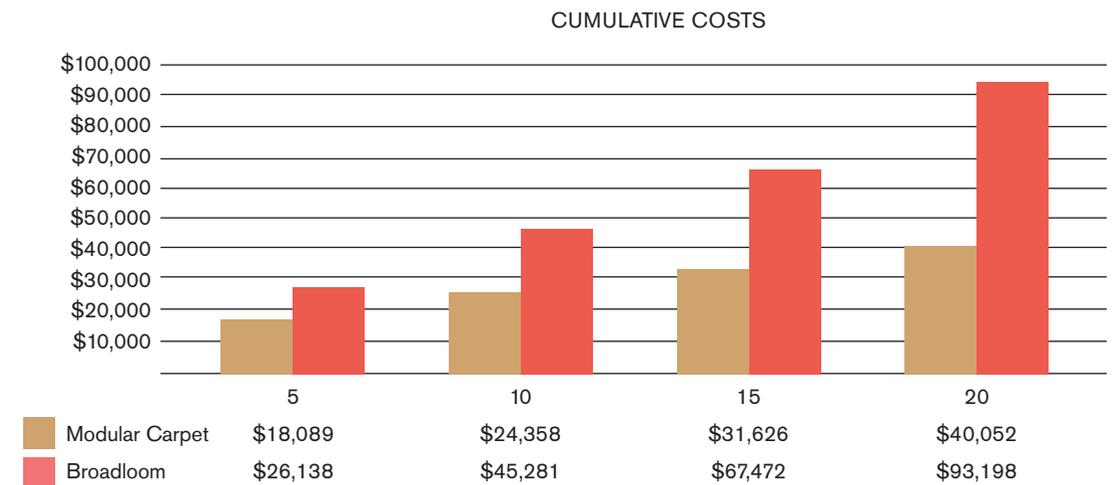
## CORRIDOR LIFE CYCLE COST ANALYSIS

Size of project (yds <sup>2</sup> )	461
Inflation factor	3%

	INPUT INFORMATION (PER SQ. YARD)		
	Modular Carpet	Broadloom	
Product Cost	\$22.00	\$12.00	
Installation Cost	\$4.00	\$6.00	
Removal/Disposal	\$1.00	\$1.50	
Maintenance/Repair	\$1.00	\$2.00	
Percentage of Replacement	20.00%	100.00%	(Typically 20% Modular Carpet, 100% Broadloom)
Frequency of Replacement (years)	5	5	(Typically 10-12yrs Modular, 5-7yrs Broadloom)
Waste Factor (per Callidus)	6.74%	23.85%	(Typically 3% Modular Carpet, 12% Broadloom)
Life Cycle Length (years)	15	15	

\*Above cost based on U.S. averages

Installing modular vs. broadloom would provide your company with a savings of \$20,923 over a 10 year period and a savings of \$53,146 over 20 years.



Based on 461 square yards. Prices are based on U.S. averages. Installation costs are dependent on site conditions.

Consider this. Based on the variables of this life cycle analysis, using Interface modular carpet can provide \$265,730 in savings for an entire multifamily property with 5 floors over a 20 year period—and provide \$13,286,550 in savings over 50 communities.

# SOUND CHOICES

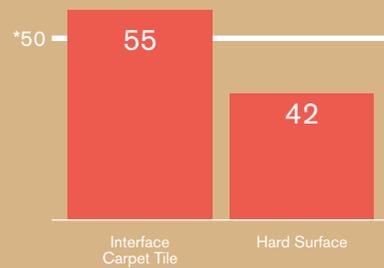
It's important to choose a flooring material that absorbs sound and creates a more peaceful atmosphere. After all, noise is the number one complaint from residents and it can even lead to litigation.

Compared to LVT, which is commonly used in multifamily applications, Interface carpet tiles are proven to provide **5 times more sound absorption**. Our products have a **thicker density** than LVT, which also helps to provide greater absorption of structure-borne noise between floors.

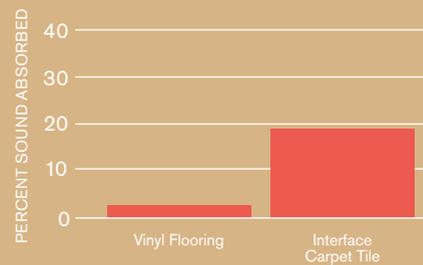
## ASTM C423 STANDARD TEST METHOD FOR SOUND ABSORPTION AND SOUND ABSORPTION COEFFICIENTS BY REVERBERATION ROOM METHOD

### IMPACT INSULATION CLASS

the higher the number, the less "structure-borne noise"



\*An IIC# of 50 is the requirement for California Tile 24 Code / New York Section 12080 Provisions on Noise.



\*Interface carpet tile provides 5 times more absorption than vinyl flooring.



# WE'RE PET ODOR FRIENDLY

For tenants, pets are a part of the family. And when nature calls, mistakes can happen. Your building shouldn't have to suffer the consequences.

Interface products are moisture impermeable and most include Intersept<sup>®</sup>, our proprietary, EPA-registered preservative that protects the carpet tile against attacks by a broad spectrum of molds, mildews, bacteria and microbial induced odors associated with spills and pet accidents. Broadloom carpet, on the other hand, allows liquid to seep through the backing into your subfloor and create lingering and incurable odors.

Intersept is permanently integrated into the backing so it will not wash away, even with regular cleaning by in-house staff. And because we're glue-free, stained or damaged tiles can be replaced in a matter of minutes.

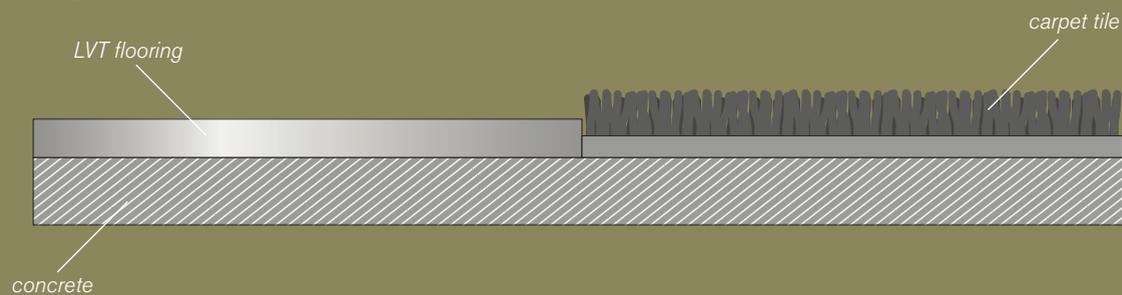


# SMART AREA RUGS

Interface's innovative flooring system also allows you to create area rugs and runners of any shape or size—providing ultimate design flexibility throughout your building, including unit spaces. Whether it's new construction or as an added amenity, there are two great options that allow your tenants to make the most of their space.

## NEW CONSTRUCTION

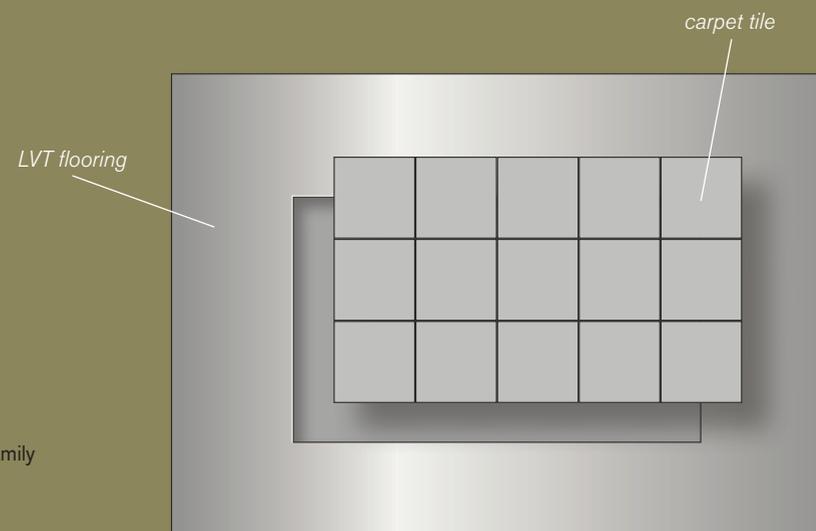
Build a simple wooden template the size of the area rug you want in the unit, using 50 cm multiples (the size of one carpet tile). Install LVT around the template and then remove the template. Inset Interface carpet tile into the recessed area and you're done.



## ADDED AMENITY

So, you've already installed LVT in your units? No problem. Area rugs can be installed over the existing hard surface flooring and are a great complement to LVT. We've partnered with FLOR® to offer your tenants a special discount on the coolest area rugs available. Explore beautiful area rug options at [FLOR.com](http://FLOR.com). Ask your Interface representative for more details.

**GRANITE COUNTERTOPS, STAINLESS STEEL APPLIANCES, WORKOUT FACILITIES AND FLOR—THE BEST OF AMENITIES FROM THE GROUND UP.**



# *DON'T SWEAT IT*

From gaining new residents to responding to maintenance calls, the last thing you need is another tedious challenge to your day-to-day operations. Interface is all about making your flooring experience hassle-free.

Interface is constantly working out ways to improve our service capabilities. That's why we partner with distribution networks and housing associations across North America to serve you better. To learn about programs in your area or province, speak with your local Interface representative.





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# QUICK ON OUR FEET

Flor® 603059 Anthracite

## GET FLOORING FAST.

Our QuickShip program offers you the convenience of having carpet tiles – up to 4,000 square yards – shipped within 10 business days. We also offer you 21 accent colors from Viva Colores™ and six walk off colors from Entry Level™, Flor® and Super Flor™—shipping up to 100 square yards in 10 working days!

Visit [interface.com/multifamily](https://interface.com/multifamily) for more details.

*Interface would like to thank Optima® Chicago Center for allowing us to photograph all of the location shots featured in this brochure.\* The LEED certified Chicago Center is a sleek and modern 42 story building with 325 luxury apartments and 22,000 square feet of commercial space. Interface carpet tile was selected as the building standard.*

*\*Some location shots may include product drop in.*

# BEING GREEN DOESN'T STOP AT THE FRONT DOOR

Research shows that today's young adults are more green-minded than any generation before them. That's more than energy savings, low flow toilets and LEED certification. It's about greening your entire supply chain operationally, financially and environmentally—and we can help.

Interface is recognized around the world for its environmental leadership. Our Mission Zero® promise to eliminate any negative impact our companies may have on the environment by the year 2020 is a public testament to that commitment. Through our ReEntry® Carpet Reclamation program, we're diverting carpet from landfills and turning old carpet tiles into new ones. We're also incorporating 100% recycled content type 6 nylon, including recycled fishing nets, into the nylon face of some of our products. In addition, all of our products are verified climate neutral and can help you earn credits towards LEED® certification.

If you are ready to get serious about going green, Interface is your choice. Learn more about Interface's focused approach to sustainable business at [interface.com/multifamily](https://interface.com/multifamily).





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may have on the environment  
by the year 2020.