



## **FLEXITEEK DECK LAYING INSTRUCTIONS**

Recommended Tools: denatured alcohol, pencil, utility knife, 1/8 inch v-notch trowel

Upon receipt of your order, begin by laying your Flexiteek deck out flat in a warm area. This will allow the Flexiteek material to reduce internal tension and flatten out.

### **Preparation**

1. Clean the areas on your boat to be covered with Flexiteek with soap & water to remove any dirt, dust, grease, insect droppings, etc. Next, wipe the deck and the back of the material with denatured alcohol.
2. Once the Flexiteek deck has flattened out, do a "dry" run on your vessel by laying out the Flexiteek material in each respective area. If necessary, minor adjustments can be made with a razor knife.
3. When you are satisfied with the position and fit of the deck, trace the perimeter with a pencil, so that you know where to apply the adhesive.
4. Remove the Flexiteek deck and lay it flat in a shaded area.

### **Laying down your Flexiteek deck**

5. Cut the end off the sausage, squeeze out the adhesive (like a tube of toothpaste). Apply adhesive in an 8 sq ft area and spread evenly with a 1/8 inch v-notch trowel. One sausage will cover approximately 8-10 sq ft, this is an excellent guide to ensure that you are using the correct amount of glue.



*TIP: Comb adhesive lines in the direction of the planks/caulk lines*

6. Lay the Flexiteek panel onto the adhesive in a rolling motion ensuring air is "rolled out" as you go. Use a floor roller or a rolling pin to "roll out" any trapped air as you are laying the deck.



### **TIPS:**

- \* *The best time to perform installation is in the morning or late afternoon. Excessive heat causes the glue to dry quickly, not giving you time to position panels correctly.*
- \* *If you get any glue on the surface of your Flexiteek deck, wipe it while wet with denatured alcohol or leave it until it dries and sand it off with 60 grit sandpaper. Wipe any adhesive from the fiberglass with the alcohol.*
- \* *All edges, especially corners and curves, should be taped down to ensure good adhesion. Leave the tape on for 24 hrs.*
- \* *Avoid kneeling on the deck while the glue is wet, lay a board down to distribute your weight. Do not walk on the deck for 24 hrs after installation.*

*Please call us at 313-402-3685 anytime if you have questions while installing the Flexiteek.*