

KRAUS INSTALLATION BULLETIN

2121 Textra Plus ZL

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PRODUCT	1/8 gauge textured graphic loop
PATTERN	• 3/4" wide by 1/2" long pattern repeat (approximate)
TYPE OF INSTALLATION	Residential Stretch-in (Power stretching is mandatory)
LINEAL SEAM PREPARATION	All rows can be picked up with a Roberts 10-517 row finder. Caution must be taken as not to snag loops. Consider running the row and trimming with the pile direction to minimize clipped loops if snagging becomes an issue. Using a cutting board, top cut along the traced row using a Crain or Roberts top cutter.
SEAM PLACEMENT	There is no specifically recommended location for a seam with this pattern. Once the first edge has been row cut, examine the removed edge closely to determine where in the pattern the cut has been made (ie. between colors B and B). When cutting the second piece, be sure to cut in the same position within the pattern (ie. between colors B and B). This is a textured product so care must be taken to not miss any low tufts within the width of the pattern when planning the second cut. Once both pieces are cut, match-up by aligning the diagonal lines that the pattern creates.
CROSS SEAMS	Finding a row with a Roberts 10-517 row finder is possible. Use the Crain #302 top cutter with the blade set so that it leaves more salvage on the field and fill pieces. You can use the same matching technique for cross seams as for lineal seams.
EDGE SEALING	All cut edges must be sealed in accordance with CRI standards prior to seaming. Any approved seam sealer can be used.
MATCHING	After the edges have been prepared for seaming, dry lay the pieces to obtain a match. Align the diagonal lines that the pattern creates. To assure a proper match, stand back and site along these diagonal lines and if any small adjustments have to be made, do then before seaming. Carpet is a fabric and is not 100% stable, slight adjustments have to be made during the seaming process to assure a continuous match from start to finish.
SEAMING	Use a medium heat setting on the seaming iron. All seams should be done over a seaming board and the seam should be weighted until the hot melt adhesive has crystallized. To minimize seam peaking, a 6" wide hot melt tape is recommended. Always match the pattern by beginning at the midpoint of the seam and working out toward the two seam ends.
FINAL TRIMMING	No trimming should have to be done on any lineal seams and very little on cross seams.
INSTALLATION	For complete installation procedures follow the recommendations as set forth by the Carpet & Rug Institute's "CRI Carpet Installation Standard".
CONCLUSION	This product can be seamed successfully with all seams blending well if the match is done correctly.

