

**FLOORING SIZE                  NAIL SIZE                  SPACING**

## 3/4" THICK T&G STRIP

x 1 1/2", 2 1/4" through 3 1/4"	2" barbed flooring cleat	10"-12" apart
	7d or 8d flooring nail, or 2" 15 gauge staples with 1/2" crowns	

## 3/4" THICK T&G PLANK

4"-8"	2" barbed flooring cleat 7d or 8d flooring nail, or 2" 15 gauge staples with 1/2" crowns	8" apart
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Blind nail along the length of strip/plank  
and near the ends (1"-3")

Minimum of 2 nails per strip/plank  
(Plank flooring may require face nailing  
and/or screws for additional fastening)

**Follow Manufacturer's Instruction for installation  
of Plank Flooring. Widths 4" and over must  
be installed on a proper subfloor.**

NOFMA hardwood flooring must be installed over a proper subfloor.\* Tongue and groove flooring is blind nailed on the tongue edge with face nailing required on starting runs (1-2) and finishing runs (2-4). Square edge flooring is face nailed.

Inadequate nailing contributes to cracks and noisy floors by allowing movement of the flooring.\*(Use 1 1/2" fasteners with 3/4" plywood subfloor on a concrete slab. A concrete slab with screeds 12" o.c. does not always require a subfloor.

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## 1/2" THICK T&G STRIP

x 1 1/2" & 2"	1 1/2" barbed flooring cleat, 5d screw, cut steel, or wire casing nail	10" apart
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**Must install over proper subfloor**

## 3/8" THICK T&G STRIP

x 1 1/2" & 2"	1 1/4" barbed flooring cleat, 4d bright wire casing nail	8" apart
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**Must install over proper subfloor**

## 5/16" SQUARE EDGE (Not Tongue & Groove)

x 1 1/2" & 2"	1" 15 gauge fully barbed flooring brad	2 nails every 7"
x 1 1/3"	1" 15 gauge barbed flooring brad	1 nail every 5" on alternate sides of strip

**Follow Manufacturer's Instructions for installing  
Square Edge Flooring. Must install over a subfloor.**

(Do not mix types of fasteners when blind nailing the field,  
except near walls where hand nailing is required.)

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