

# Designer Contracts

## Method Statement

### Preliminary Information

Method statement title	Carpet Fitting
Description of works	General Carpet Fitting

### Resources

#### Personal details ( including estimated employee numbers/trades and working hours)

Designer Contracts Staff  
Sub-Contractor Fitters

#### Training Details (including specific training, competency and experience requirements for both operatives & supervisors)

H&S Training, CITB SSP & HSE - All Managers who visit sites carry CSCS Card  
H&S Training - All Fitters who visit site will carry CSCS card  
SSSTS - All Senior Contracts Managers  
Asbestos Awareness Training - All staff who visit site  
Manual Handling Training - All staff  
Site Induction Training & Toolbox Talks - All Fitters

#### Sub-Contractor work Element / Personnel (including type of sub-contracted work and workforce size/trades)

Fitting carpets

#### Supervisor details and arrangements (including supervisor/operatives ratio, sub-contractor supervision details and arrangements for young persons/apprentices)

Managers to supervise on a regular basis and work closely with Site Management and attend all meetings as required to relay information to there teams.

#### Plant / Equipment requirement details (including vehicle movement and inspection/maintenances/testing arrangements)

No plant used on site.

Hammer, nails, screws, saw, knee kickers, knife, seaming iron, carpet bolster, electric staple gun,  
Vacuum cleaner and Broom.  
Ensure that all portable appliances are portable appliance tested and have the relevant certificate.

**Materials, Movement and storage details (including control of manual handling, movement between levels, traffic interface and ignition)**

Carpet, underlay, carpet adhesive, screed, gripper.

Materials will be brought to site by sub contractors with on site movements controlled by site contractors  
All materials to be delivered to work area and unloaded. All materials will be stacked in accordance with health & safety working practices.

All adhesives to be handled with care.

Adhesives only to be used in well ventilated areas.

**Sequence of work ( including site access, preparation and co-ordination of work)**

Fitter examines the area to be fitted and ensures that it is clear of obstacles.

Scrape and sweep clean the floor before any floor preparation takes place

Materials are taken into plot and stored in a suitable area to acclimatise

Gripper is cut where necessary and nailed to floor. (excluding staircases)

For staircases, please follow labelled instructions, displayed on the staircase for installing gripper. If no labels/instructions present speak to Site Manager.

Cut door bars to size and nail or screw into position. Fit underlay as required

Bring the carpet into room and unroll. Ask for power to be switched off if cutting around electrical boxes

Fit the carpet against one wall between skirting and gripper using a carpet bolster

Stretch carpet into position using knee kickers, cutting the carpet to shape using a stanley knife and fit the carpet into position using a carpet bolster.

Remove excess carpet from room and ensure that all blunt blades are also removed from the room and taken back to Designer Contracts warehouse for safe disposal

Vacuum the carpet and check the floor before leaving plot.

**Risk Assessment(s) for Significant Risks**

Are there risk assessments for:	Yes	No	N/A	Risk Assessment Titles
Access / egress	X			Site Specific Risk Assessment
Place of Work	X			Site Specific Risk Assessment
Others at risk (eg public)			X	Site Specific Risk Assessment
COSHH, noise, vibration, fire etc	X			Relevant COSHH assessments depending on product used - Head Office will provide this
Environmental risks (inc asbestos/silica dust)		X		Site Specific Risk Assessment
Sub-contracted activities	X			Site Specific Risk Assessment

**Control Measures to be used**

	Yes	No	N/a	Control Measure Name
Permit required			X	
Security Arrangements			X	
Special training (confined space, tower erection, use of plant, spills control etc)			X	



## Personal Protective Equipment Requirements

	Yes	No	N/a	Control Measure Name
Safety Headgear	X			Hard Hats must be worn by everyone when onsite.
Safety Footwear	X			Safety footwear is required at all times
High visibility clothing	X			High visibility vest/jacket must be worn at all times.
Safety Gloves	X			Gloves for cutting/spraying adhesive
Hearing protection			X	
Eye protection			X	
Respiratory Protection			X	This activity is below the workplace exposure limit
Leg/Knee protection	X			Wear knee pads when kneeling
Arm/elbow protection			X	
Fall arrest equipment			X	
Overalls / aprons			X	
Other PPE			X	

## Emergency Arrangements

	Yes	No	N/A
Rescue	X		

### Details of rescue arrangements

The company will fully comply with all emergency procedures developed by the site.  
Any changes in the emergency procedures and exit routes shall be provided by the site to our Regional Manager in order that such changes can be communicated to the workforce.

	Yes	No	N/A
Special first aid requirements	X		

### Details of special first aid arrangements

Follow site rules for all first aid requirements and fitters to use site first aid facilities.  
Follow first aid instructions given on relevant COSHH risk assessments

				Yes	No	N/A
Spillage Containment				X		

#### Details of spillage containment

Follow spillage containment instructions given on relevant COSHH assessment.

#### Temporary Amended Systems

	Yes	No	N/a	Comments
Traffic routes	X			Follow all site signs
Emergency arrangements	X			Report any accidents, emergencies or incidents to site office & Designer Contracts Line Manager. Always carry a fully charged mobile phone
Services			X	
Other			X	

#### Monitoring and Compliance

	Yes	No	N/a	Comments
Monitoring arrangements			X	
Enforcement arrangements			X	

#### General Comments

We monitor health & safety by using a computerised health & safety management system called BusinessSafe Online which is provided by Peninsula Business Services Limited

The Regional Manager/Senior Contracts Manager visit sites on a regular basis to monitor all aspects of work and health & safety. The health & safety department ensures that all hazards of specific work activities, risk & COSHH assessments are recorded onto BusinessSafe Online which we also use for accident reporting and to indicate what training staff have undertaken and when this needs updating. The health & safety Director is responsible for reviewing reports which have been compiled as a result of monitoring health & safety and the Regional Manager/Senior Contracts Manager are then responsible for ensuring any corrective actions necessary are carried out.