

related test method	EN ISO 9239-1: 2002 Radiant panel flooring test
subject	Testing flooring tiles also available as full size
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Problem

Flooring products can be available as flooring tiles in different dimensions, and also as wall-to-wall products. If the product is tested as a full-scale specimen, are the results also valid for flooring tiles of different dimensions?

EN ISO 9239-1 states *If the specimen consists of tiles, it shall be mounted in such a way that a joint is situated 250 mm from the zero point.*

The words "if" and "specimen" (not "product") would indicate that the joints are optional.

Recommendation

- Test results of floorings tested without any cross joint are also valid for tile made out of that flooring.
- If in the end use application additional materials shall be used in the joints, the tiles together with this additional material in the joint have to be tested separately ("testing the system").

