

# Rail: floors guide

Transforming spaces in the global rail industry

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## Introduction

Altro have been creating and manufacturing high quality transport flooring for almost 60 years. Driven to transform everyday spaces for the people who use them, design-led innovation is at the heart of everything we do. Working closely with the industry's leading rail builders and operators globally, we aim to create environments for passengers and staff which are inviting, safe and compliant.

Altro consider all aspects of the journey a vehicle floor takes throughout its lifetime; both in service and during manufacture and maintenance.

Partnering with manufacturers and operators, we provide solutions designed to enhance passenger experience and add efficiencies to assembly and maintenance.

Our collaborative approach allows customers to create rail interiors that are safe, durable, comfortable and visually appealing for passengers.

We share our customers' vision of making rail cars more appealing, convenient and environmentally-conscious setting to travel in. We will help you to deliver the on board experience that modern passengers demand.



# **Engineered for performance**

We know that you expect the very best in engineering for every component of your rail car, flooring included. We're confident that each feature of our rail floors performs to the highest specification.

Solutions – all Altro

in our self-adhesive and

pre-cut kit solutions.

transport floors are available

## Slip-resistant

Our products contain a variety of aggregates, which are embedded into the flooring to provide excellent slip resistance to safeguard passenger footing and ensure they can move through a train from entrance vestibules and through carriages safely no matter what the outside weather conditions may be.

#### Durable

Trains incur extremely high levels of concentrated foot traffic, so hard-wearing durability is a necessity of any floor. Altro's highly resilient transport floors are designed to withstand the most demanding service regimes – a quality backed up by guarantees that cover the life expectancy of the vehicle.

#### Lightweight

Vinyl flooring is significantly lighter than alternative materials commonly used in passenger vehicles. The potential reduction in weight that can be achieved by selecting an Altro product can make a positive contribution to greater fuel economy and general wear.

#### Impermeable

If contaminants are brought on board a train, Altro transport floors continue to perform. The construction of our products, combined with heat welded installation techniques, makes them impervious to the ingress of water and dirt; protecting subfloors from damage and preventing the need for costly repairs.

#### Colour retentive

All Altro rail floors are tested to ensure UV stability. This ensures that areas exposed to greater levels of sunlight maintain their appearance over time. Our floors also support time-sensitive cleaning regimes to preserve the long-term visual appeal of vehicle interiors.

Did you know?

Altro Transflor Tungsten™ is compliant to EN 45545-2.

Slip resistance – all our rail floors achieve a PTV of at least ≥36, meaning that your passengers will have a one in a million chance of a slip, guaranteed for the lifetime of the floor. Altro transport floors are engineered with aggregates throughout the thickness of the floor to ensure a sustained slip resistance.

**Durability** – our rail floors offer excellent wear resistance, losing less than 10% of particles after our vigorous laboratory tests.

Compliance – Altro rail floor fire, smoke and toxicity performance ratings are guaranteed on all common subfloors.

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## **Compliance**

No matter where in the world you are, we have a range to meet your country's regulations.

When specifying interior components we understand that compliance and safety are top priorities. Our rail products are designed to meet the required fire, smoke and toxicity standards for different vehicle classes and rail applications around the world. This is achieved without any compromise to the slip resistant qualities our floors are renowned for and without the need for supplementary treatments to protect the surface layer from wear or discolouration.

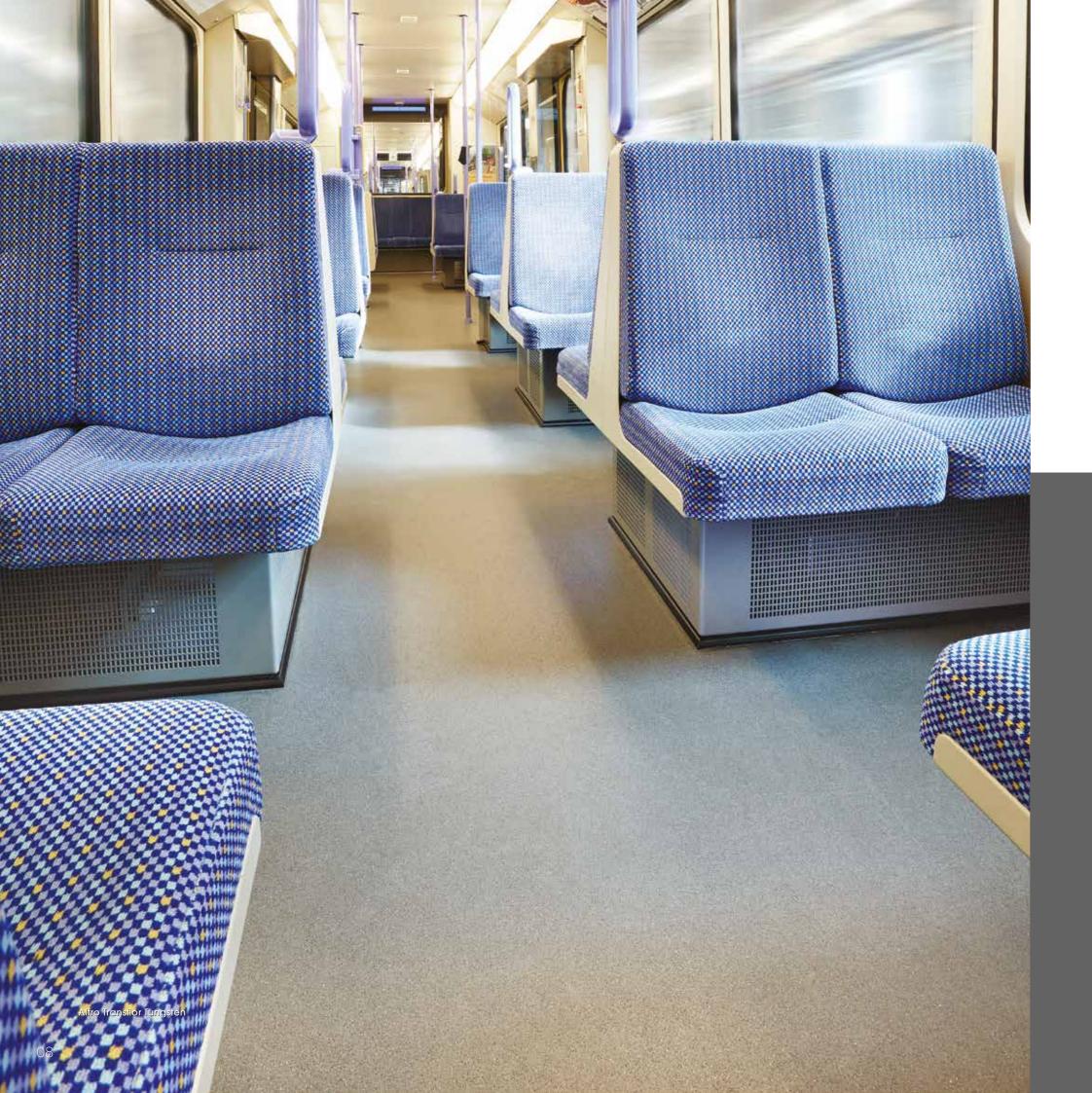
#### EN 45545-2

Altro Transflor Tungsten<sup>™</sup> is compliant to EN 45545-2, making it ideal for those projects where PVC isn't the preferred option. Altro Transflor Tungsten<sup>™</sup> has been specified in a wide range of application areas, from metros to destination stations, to even cable cars!

#### BS 6853

Altro Transflor Met is compliant to BS 6853 1b. This means that it's a great choice for above-ground services around the world, with its choice of finishes and the option to create an entirely bespoke design.





## Safety

Passengers using rail networks naturally expect to travel in comfort and safety. As the inventors of safety flooring, Altro create solutions that directly address the costly risks presented by potential slips, trips and falls. Our products are designed to help protect against the effects that external contaminants, such as water, ice, dust and even spillages, and general surface wear can commonly have on passenger safety.

Exposure to contaminants is unavoidable for any vehicle with passengers boarding from different climates and environments.

To combat this, Altro flooring contains a variety of aggregates which create additional surface friction to safeguard passenger footing.

## **Maintaining contact**

The presence of surface contaminants – in even the smallest amounts – can reduce contact between the floor and the sole of passengers' shoes. When subjected to the downward pressure of passengers' feet, the aggregates in Altro floors are able to penetrate surface contaminants to maintain the contact between the floor and shoe.

#### Sustained performance

At peak times, passengers will often be standing while the train is in motion, making effective slip-resistance essential. Many alternative materials depend on grooved surfaces to provide this, however, these are prone to wear and can require regular maintenance to ensure performance. The natural resilience of the mineral aggregates used in Altro rail floors actually enhances durability and provides slip resistance for the life of the product.

## **Design possibilities**

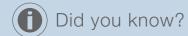
## Create an impression

We know that passengers expect to feel as comfortable and safe as they would in their own personal transport – so first impressions count. We'll work with you to create an interior that looks as good as it performs.

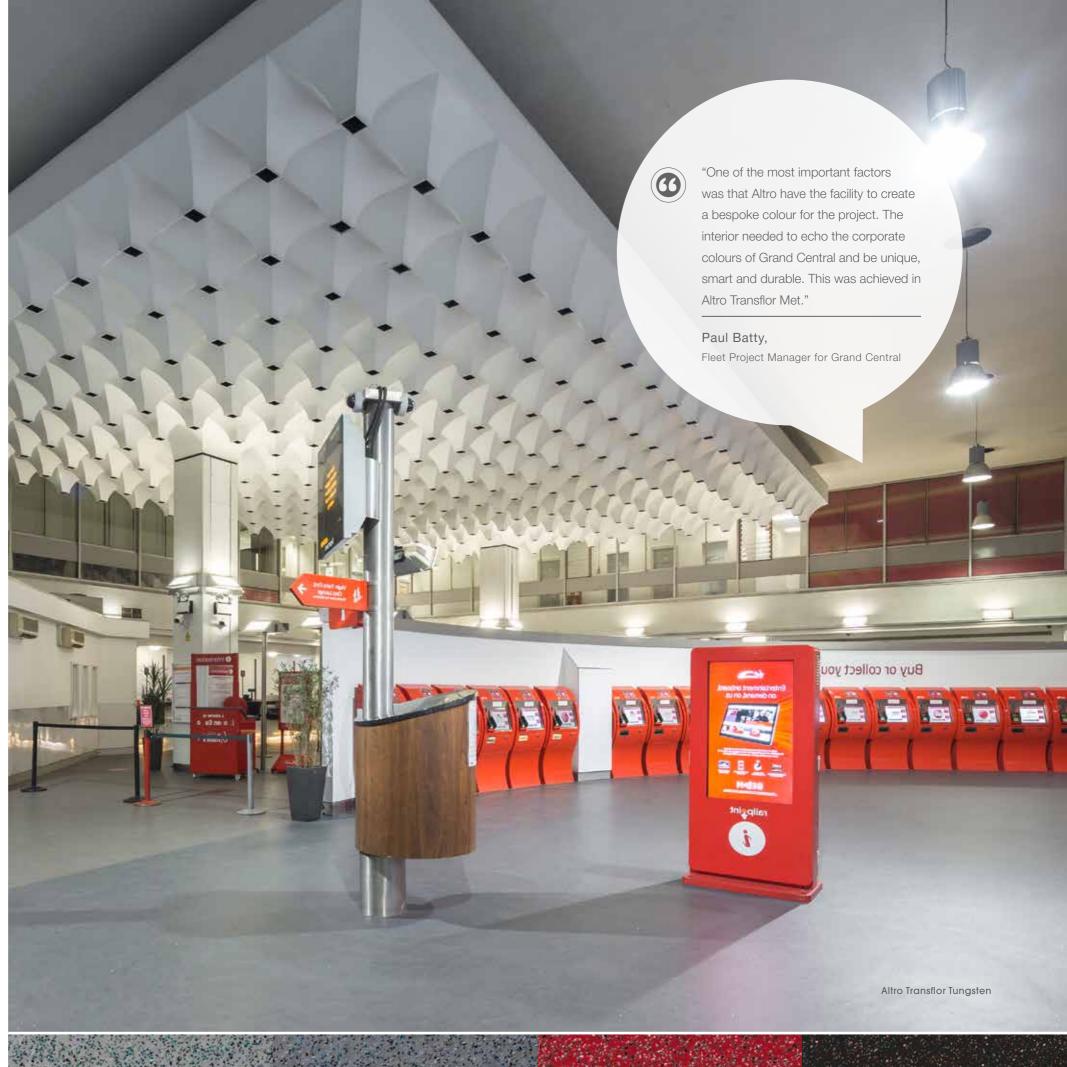
#### Creative freedom

Each range of Altro rail flooring has been developed with the insight of independent vehicle interior designers to better meet the needs of builders and operators alike. Product ranges offer thoughtful colour palettes to suit various vehicle types for maximum choice and appeal. Designs integrate practicality, supporting cleaning regimes for high foot traffic areas, as well as giving a broad range of colour options. And if you want to achieve something different, we have the ability to create colours and designs bespoke,\* opening up a world of possibilities.

 $^{\star}\text{Conditions}$  apply, please speak to one of our consultants for more information.



Our space visualiser lets you place any of our products in a vehicle environment to help you make the perfect choice.



# **Vehicular floor plan**

To address the broad range of application areas commonly found on trains, Altro have created a variety of products and solutions that can be flexibly used in a variety of different spaces. Considering all aspects of installation, appearance, performance and maintenance, we can support OEMs and operators to achieve the best results for their particular requirements.

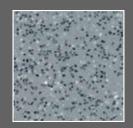




# Altro Transflor Tungsten™



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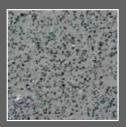
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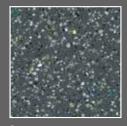


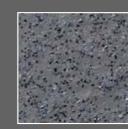
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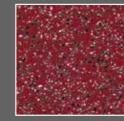




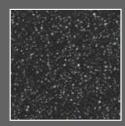
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TUN20906 WR101 / A1M72 / LRV 11



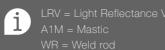
TUN20911 WR248 / A1M238 / LRV 11



TUN20905 WR277 / A1M100 / LRV 6



Firestorm TUN20904 WR100 / A1M100 / LRV 5







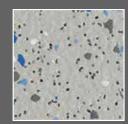




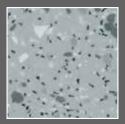




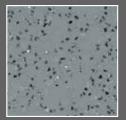
# **Altro Transflor Met**™



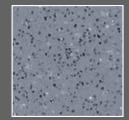
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WR04 / A1M85 / LRV 35

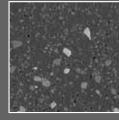


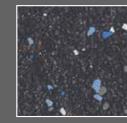
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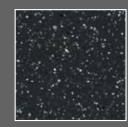


Grampian MET2584 WR84 / A1M84 / LRV 23



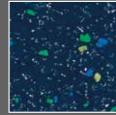








MET25421 WR72 / A1M72 / LRV 9



MET2532 WR73 / A1M73 / LRV 7













# **Technical table**

	EN 13845
Flooring type	ASTM F1303
Slip resistance	BAM PTV DIN 51130 EN 13845 EN 13893 ASTM D2047
Thickness	EN ISO 24346
Wear layer	EN ISO 24340
Flexibility	EN ISO 24344 ASTM F1303
Weight	EN ISO 23997
Roll dimensions	EN ISO 24341
Light fastness	EN ISO 105-B02 ASTM F1515
Wear resistance	EN 13845 ASTM C501
Indentation	EN ISO 24343-1 ASTM F970
Fire performance	EN 45545-2 BS 6853 DIN 5510 ASTM E648 ASTM E662 NFPA 130
Chemical resistance*	EN ISO 26987
Castor chair abrasion	EN 425
Electrical behaviours	EN 1815
Sound insulation	ISO 140-8

Altro Transflor Tungsten	Altro Transflor Met
Safety flooring	Safety flooring
Extremely slip resistant ≥ 40 R11 ESf DS ≥ 0.6	Very slip resistant ≥ 36 R10
2 mm / 0.08"	2.5 mm / 0.10"
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Pass	Pass
2.7 kg/m² / 4.98lb/sy	3.2 kg/m² / 5.87lb/sy
2 m x 20 m - 40 m <sup>2</sup> 6'7" x 65'7"	2 m x 20 m - 40 m <sup>2</sup> 6'7" x 65'7"
≥ 6	≥ 6
≤ 10% particles lost over 50,000 cycles	≤ 10% particles lost over 50,000 cycles
≤ 0.10 mm	≤ 0.10 mm
HL2 Category Ia SF3 / FED ≤ 1 Class A Ds (1.5) ≤ 100 Ds (4) ≤ 200 Pass	Category Ib SF3 Class 1 < 450 DMC
Good	Good
Pass	Pass
≤ 2 kV Antistatic	≤ 2 kV Antistatic
ca. 4 dB	ca. 5 dB

\*Caution ketone / aromatic solvents. Please contact Altro for further technical advice regarding staining and chemical resistance

# Kit and logo solutions

## Pre-cut flooring kits

Our pre-cut flooring kits allow you to minimise installation time and waste, reducing interior assembly and maintenance time. Using a floorplan of the intended application area, we use our in-house technology to prepare your order to the exact dimensions required before delivering convenient pre-cut pieces, saving you time and effort. Especially useful for those tricky confined areas with turns, twists and undulations, Altro flooring kits can be easily laid and welded to provide the most direct route to installation success.

## Logos and signage

The accuracy of our cutting technology also enables us to offer the production of intricate detailing that can be inlaid directly into the floor. From universal signage and wayfinding solutions through to exact recreations of your company logo, precision-cut icons and sign designs will save you time and make your rail installations stand out.



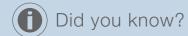
# Self-adhesive solutions

### Installation advantages

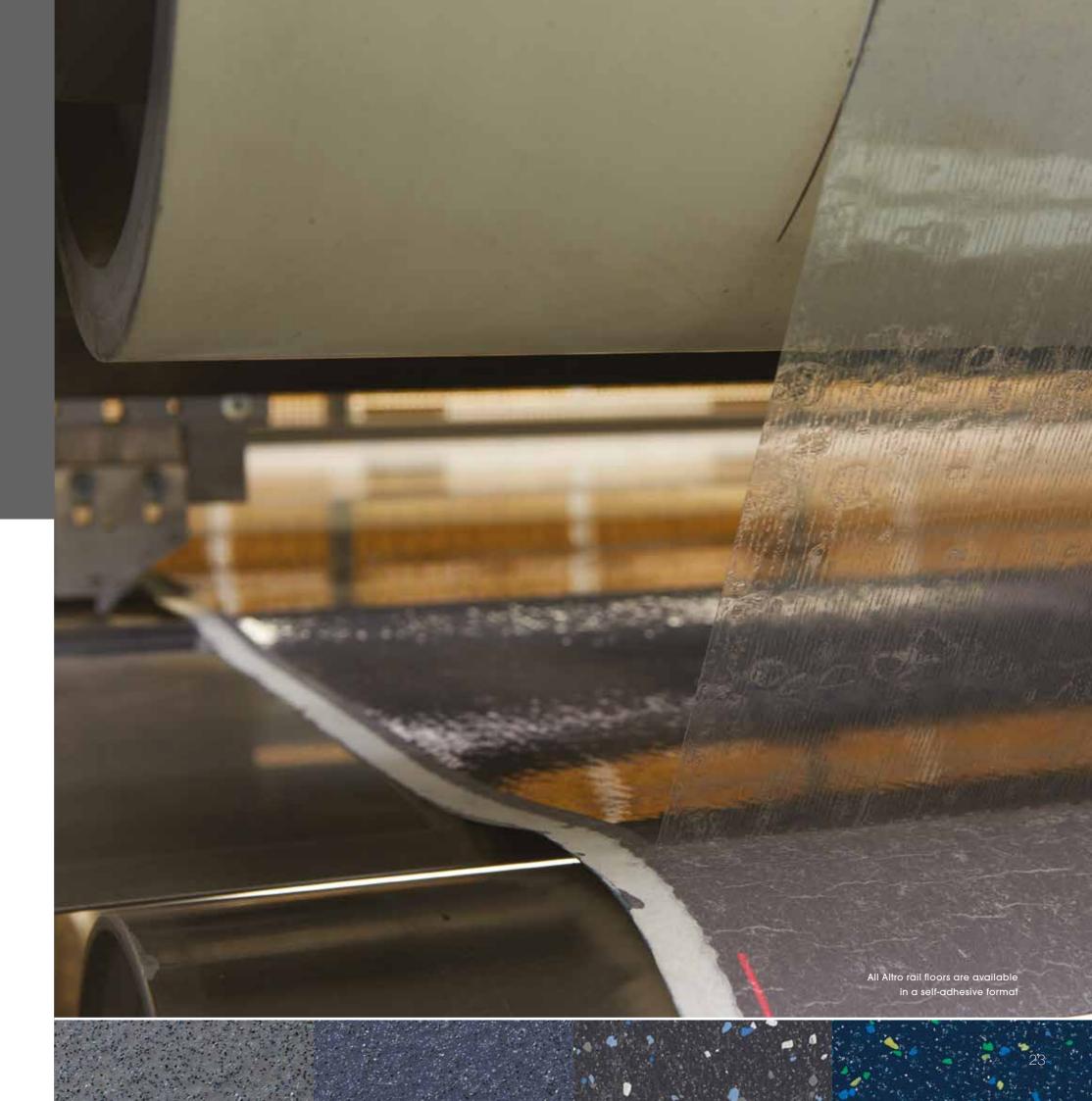
Designed specifically to remove the need for manual adhesive application and curing times, Altro self-adhesive flooring provides further time-saving possibilities. The pressure-sensitive backing is available for all our rail flooring products and offers enhanced efficiencies without compromising performance. Once positioned and bonded, our self-adhesive flooring can be welded and walked on immediately, allowing interior assembly and refurbishment to continue without delay. The solution works with all commonly used subfloors, providing consistent results every time. It can also be used with pre-cut kits to achieve even greater efficiencies. Altro is the only manufacturer with the capability to offer both solutions in-house for consistent quality control.

### Clean and lightweight

The benefits of self-adhesive flooring are not only limited to time savings. The intuitive system is easy to use, requires no specialist tools, and by removing the need for adhesive mixing and application, reduces mess. Better still, the eradication of manual adhesive processes reduces VOC emissions to ensure a cleaner interior air quality for your installation team. Meanwhile, the uniform application of adhesive applied to the backing results in an adhesive weight saving of 60% per m² compared to the recommended applications of polyurethane and contact adhesives.



Altro self-adhesive solutions perform consistently across all common subfloor variants.





# **Technical support**

#### Installation advice

To gain the best possible performance from your Altro flooring, it's paramount that it's installed correctly. Our highly-skilled technical services team can offer free expert advice to help ensure fitters know in our dedicated training school. Visit our website to find out more.

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### **Continued support**

When you invest in Altro flooring for your project, you enter into a partnership that we take seriously. We're available to advise and instruct on technical areas to provide guidance and facilitate product longevity. Whether you have a situation with a subfloor, a question on cleaning or you're wondering about a weld, get in touch - we're here to help.



## Did you know?

Altro offer a wide range of weld rods in different colours and profiles to help you achieve the best possible finish.

# Cleaning and maintenance

#### Save time

Altro appreciate that cleanliness is integral to maintaining a welcoming interior, so cleanability is at the forefront of our considerations when developing products.

By producing all our rail products with Altro Easyclean™ technology we aim to assist as effectively as possible, giving our floors maximum protection against stains, dirt retention, and facilitating easier cleaning.

## Maintain appearance

Cleaning regimes are further complemented by the random scatter patterns of flooring aggregates. Aside from enhancing slip resistance, our aggregates also distract the eye to break up the appearance of common dirt deposits. This ultimately means that standard daily cleaning regimes are sufficient to ensure the floor retains its appearance between incremental maintenance deep cleans. For the best results on rail floors, Altro recommends the use of AltroClean 44™ or a similar alkaline cleaner.

Want to combine the pattern complexity of carpet with the durability and ease of cleaning of vinyl? Ask us about making your floor a custom design with our Altro Transflor Figura™ patterns – using our slip resistant aggregates to create stunning patterns, looking great while drawing the eye away from any dirt particles and avoiding any odours.



## **Accessories**

#### Adhesives and weld rods

To help achieve an optimum installation, Altro can supply or recommend a comprehensive range of adhesives to ensure a long-lasting, high performing bond is achieved. Alternatively, you can select your preferred flooring in a self-adhesive format (see page 22).

Our extensive range of weld rods mean that areas of the floor can be joined with water tight seals. Available in an array of colours, these not only look great, but protect the sub-floor from the ingress of dirt and water.

#### Tools and trims

A range of tools are also available to aid fitters with the installation process. We can suggest the right instruments to suit any project. And with the flooring fitted and welded to perfection, we can also offer a broad selection of nosings and trims, to create a truly professional finish.

- 1. AltroFix 19Plus 1.5kg, 3kg, 6kg
  - 1.5kg Coverage 6-7m<sup>2</sup>
  - 3kg Coverage 12-14m<sup>2</sup>
  - 6kg Coverage 24-28m<sup>2</sup>
- 2. AltroClean 44 1 litre or 5 litres
- 3. Altro Transflor weld rod 50m coil, weld rods are available to match or contrast with your chosen floor product
- 4. i. Router handles
  - ii. Router blades (pack of 8)
- 5. Cable cutting slide
- 6. Spatula
- 7. Weld nozzles: coving and high speed available
- 8. Groove blades u shape (pack of 10)
- 9. High speed weld gun 110v or 220v
- 10. Dolphin knives
  - i. Hooked heavy duty blades (box of 100)
  - ii. Concave heavy duty blades (box of 100)

Please consult your sales representative for more information.



# Sustainability

Hundreds of thousands of people travel by train every day as a more environmentally friendly option than driving, so we believe that we should make every effort to help make train travel as sustainable as possible. We believe that fitting vehicles with sustainably-conscious components shows a demonstrable commitment to the environment.

### Recycling

Our commitment to sustainability has also enabled us to become the first manufacturer to recycle traditional safety flooring in-house.

Altro flooring even contains recycled particulates including post-consumer recycled glass, which would otherwise be destined for landfill.

At Altro, sustainability drives the choices we make. It starts with the environmentally friendly raw materials we choose to go into our products which enable us to produce orthophthalatefree vinyl floors containing bio-plasticisers.

#### Why choose Altro

- high performance durability to protect your vehicles
- fire and toxicity compliant flooring solutions
- intelligently engineered products to keep your passengers safe
- creative freedom to enhance passenger experience
- innovative solutions to support installation and maintenance
- dedicated service and technical support





#### **Samples**

If colour choice is critical, please request a sample of the material

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