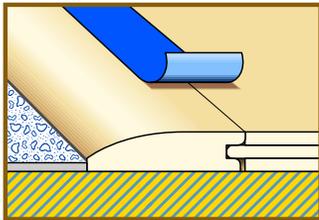


# Installing Reducer Moldings With A Glue Down/Nail Down Floor

## Standard Tongue & Groove Reducer

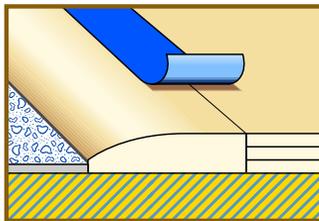


## Standard Flush Mount Reducer



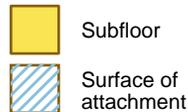
(Fig. G)

*Standard Tongue & Groove Reducer*



(Fig. G2)

*Standard Flush Mount Reducer*



**Application** - Used to join hardwood floors with floors of different heights such as vinyl, ceramic tile or low pile carpeting.

**Installation** - Artistic Finishes manufactures two versions of Reducers. The Standard Reducer, for nail down or glue down floors, is available in either a flush mount or tongue and groove configuration. The Overlap Reducer is designed for floating floor installations. Because of variances in thickness with some manufacturers' hardwood floors, there are different molding sizes available. Match the molding up to a piece of flooring on a flat surface to verify size. Check the label on the bottom side of the molding to be sure you have the right Reducer for the job.

**Standard Reducers** - To attach the molding, apply glue to the front edge of the molding as recommended by the manufacturer. Apply one or two 1/4 inch beads of construction adhesive to the subfloor and seat the molding in place. If nailing, pre-drill the molding to prevent splitting. To assure a flush surface in any glue down installation, it is recommended that the molding be taped with blue tape (Scotch 3M #2090) to the floor while the glue is setting up as shown in (Fig. G & G2).

**Overlap Reducer** - The Overlap Reducer is typically used for floating floor applications. See the floating floor section of this installation guide for instructions on how to install the Overlap Reducer.