Hints For Homeowners

Three Steps To Quieter Floors

(NAPSA)—The next time you need to squash the squeaks in your floor, you may be glad to learn about a special tool that can help you do it quickly and easily.

Keeping floorboards from moving is critical when it comes to silencing a squeak, so the tool is designed to let you screw down the floorboards and silence that squeaky floor—even when the area is carpeted. Called Squeeeeek No More, it comes in a kit that also contains specially designed screws that can pass through a carpet without causing any damage.

That means you don't have to pull up the carpet to screw down the floorboards. That can be a real time-saver for do-it-yourselfers.

Step one: Locate the floor joists using the joist-finding tool that comes in the kit. Then push the alignment and depth control fixture, which also comes in the kit, firmly into the carpet.



Step two: Place your weight around the fixture and drive the scored screw down as far as the fixture allows it to go.



Step three: Place the gripper part of the fixture over the screw head. Then, rock the fixture left to right, until the screw head snaps off. The screw breaks at the weak spot that is consistently just below the surface of the floor.



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