



Home Improvement Tips

Silencing Squeaky Floors

(NAPSA)—If you're tired of tip-toeing across your loud, creaky floors, there's news that may be music to your ears: Silencing the squeaks can be simple. Try these tips:

Tool Time

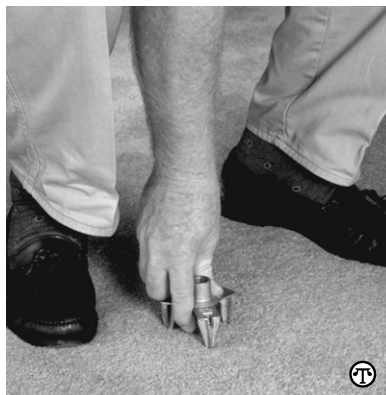
Start with the right tools. You need a tool that will screw down floor boards to keep them from moving. (When there's no movement, there's no squeak.) Tools such as Squeeeeeek No More let homeowners screw down floor boards without having to pull up the carpet. It comes in a kit that includes special scored screws that pass through carpeting without causing any damage. Here's how it works:

For more information call O'Berry Enterprises at 1-800-459-8428 or visit the Web site at www.squeaknomore.com.



Step 2: DRIVE THE SCREW

Place your weight around the fixture and drive the scored screw down as far as the fixture will allow it to go.



Step 1: FIND THE JOIST

Locate the floor joist using the joist-finding tool provided in the kit. Then push the Alignment and Depth Control Fixture firmly into the carpet.



Step 3: MAKE THE SCREW FLUSH

Place the gripper part of the fixture over the screw head. Then rock the fixture left to right, snapping the head off. The screw breaks at the weakest point, which is consistently just below the floor surface.