

# Warmup<sup>®</sup>

UNDERFLOOR HEATING MADE **SIMPLE & AFFORDABLE**<sup>™</sup>

## Installation Manual: Undertile Heating Mat

TECHNICAL HELPLINE  
0845 345 2288



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INSTALLATION  
GUARANTEE

### IMPORTANT

Read this manual before attempting to install your undertile heater. Incorrect installation could damage the heater and will invalidate your warranty.

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If these instructions are followed, you should have no problems. However, if you require assistance at any stage, please call our helpline on **0845 345 2288**.

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# Do's and don'ts

## DO

- ✓ Carefully read this installation manual before commencing installation.
- ✓ Consult our helpline or a competent professional if you are unsure how to proceed.
- ✓ Ensure the system is tested before, during and after installation.
- ✓ Plan your mat layout and installation so that any drilling after tiling (e.g. for fixing sanitary ware) will not damage the wiring.
- ✓ Maintain a minimum gap between the wire runs of 50mm (2 inches).
- ✓ Check that the mat is working immediately before commencing tiling.
- ✓ Take particular care when tiling not to dislodge or damage the heating wire.
- ✓ Wear gloves to prevent irritation from the fibre glass mesh.

## DON'T

- ✗ Cut or shorten the heating element at any time.
- ✗ Install the mat under any floor other than ceramic, quarry or natural stone tiles.
- ✗ Commence installation on a concrete floor that has not been fully cured.
- ✗ Leave surplus matting rolled up under units or fixtures - use the right size.
- ✗ Install the mat on stairs or up walls.
- ✗ Run the floor sensor wire or power lead over or under the heating element.
- ✗ Connect two mats in series, only connect mats in parallel.
- ✗ Commence tiling before testing the mat.
- ✗ Switch on the installed mat until 8 days after fitting to allow the tile adhesive to dry completely.
- ✗ Tape over joint end cap or sensor tip, as this may create an air pocket.

## What you need for installation

Components NOT included as part of your Warmup® Undertile Heating Mat Kit:

- A Warmup® thermostat with floor sensor



- Residual Circuit Device (RCD) required as per 17th edition wiring regulations



- Multi-meter required for testing the resistance of the mat



- Electrical housing, back boxes and junction boxes. (Back box for the Xstat thermostat must be at least 25mm deep).

- Electrical trunking/conduit for housing the power leads

- Permanent marker
- Measuring tape
- Tape (to secure floor sensor and loose wires)
- Pair of small utility scissors for cutting the fibreglass mesh
- Screwdrivers for electrical connections
- Gloves



Components included in your Warmup® Undertile Heating Mat kit

- Warmup® Undertile Heating Mat
- Installation Manual

# Safety - electrical considerations

## Electrical Considerations

As with all electrical projects governed by Part P regulations, all mains electrical connections must be undertaken by a certified electrician. All work must conform to current IEE Wiring Regulations.

### Installing a Residual Current Device (RCD)

Warmup® Undertile Heating Mat must be wired via an RCD. You must install a dedicated RCD if one is not already present. You may wish to use a fused spur/RCD. No more than 4.8kW of heating may be connected to a single 30 milliamp RCD. For larger loads use multiple RCDs or a 100 milliamp RCD.

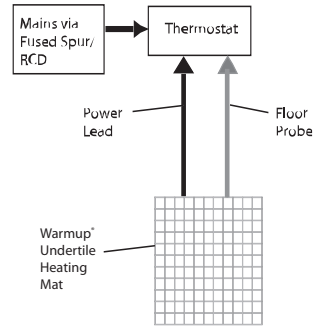
**NOTE:** It is possible to run the heater from an existing circuit. Consult a certified electrician to determine whether or not the circuit can handle the load and if it is RCD protected.

### Installing Electrical Boxes and Trunking

You will require a deep (25-40 mm) back box for the Xstat thermostat. If you are installing more than two heaters, a junction box will be required. The wiring from the heater to the thermostat should be protected by conduit or plastic trunking.

### Connecting the Thermostat

The thermostat should be connected to the main electrical supply via a fused spur or an RCD, in accordance with IEE Wiring Regulations, by a certified electrician. The thermostat should be installed within the room or area to be heated, however, in the case of bathroom installations, electrical wiring regulations prohibit the installation of thermostats within the bathroom itself. In such cases, the thermostat should be fitted to the outside of an internal wall of the bathroom, as close as possible to the heating power supply cables.



**NOTE:**

If you are installing more than two heaters you will require a junction box to connect the heaters with the thermostat.

# Subfloor preparations

Prior to installation it is important that the subfloor is prepared correctly.

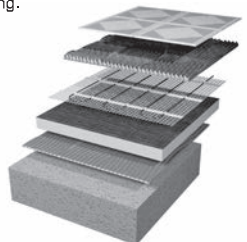
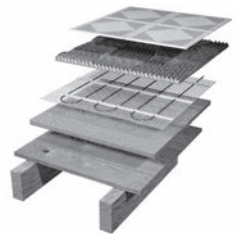
## Wooden Subfloors

- Ensure adequate underfloor ventilation
- Existing floorboards need to be securely fixed and if necessary pre-levelled with a latex/cement self-levelling compound to give a flush fit for the subsequently applied WBP plywood or tile-backer board (Warmup® Insulation Board).
- A rigid base is essential - Fixing WBP plywood or Warmup® Insulation Board to joists will not provide a suitable stable floor finish for accepting tiles.
- Refer to BS 5385:Part 3:2007 for more information on sealing the backs and edges of the WBP plywood before fixing.
- The above recommendations apply to floors of small areas as advised in BS 5385:Part 3:2007

**NOTE:** Chipboard, M.F.D. and O.S.B. boards (flake boards) are not suitable for ceramic floor tiling.

## Concrete Subfloors

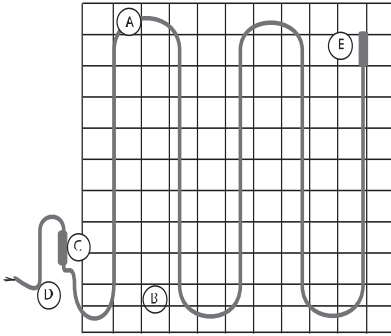
- Ensure you use an extruded polystyrene building or tile-backer board (Warmup® Insulation Board) if installing your mat onto a cement-based floor.
- Fixing the board should be as per manufacturer's instructions



# About the mat

The mat is available in 2 different wattages. Each mat is designed to produce a specific amount of heat based on its length. As such, never shorten the mat.

The mat is made up of



- A - Heating Element
- B - Fibreglass mesh
- C - Factory-made joint
- D - Power lead (3-core)
- E - Termination Joint

## Specification for 150W Undertile Heating Mat

Mat Size(m <sup>2</sup> )	Nominal Watts	Amps@230v
1	150	0.65
1.5	225	0.98
2	300	1.30
3	450	1.96
4	600	2.61
5	750	3.26
6	900	3.91
7	1050	4.57
8	1200	5.22
9	1350	5.87
10	1500	6.52
11	1650	7.17
15	2250	9.78

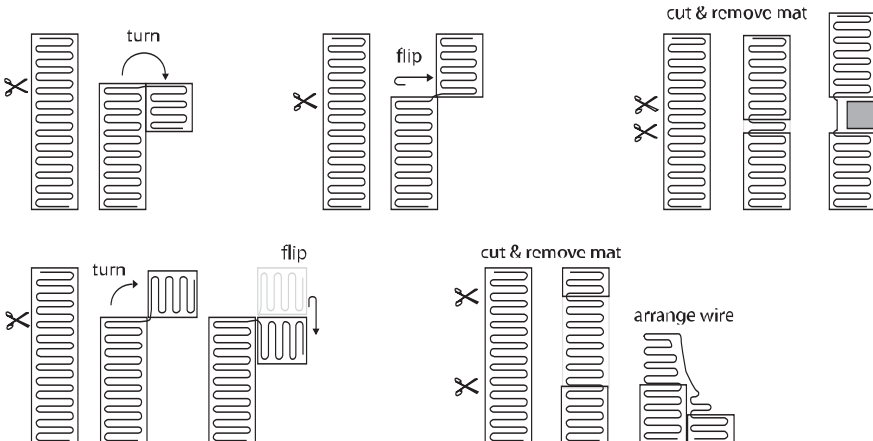
## Specification for 200W Undertile Heating Mat

Mat Size(m <sup>2</sup> )	Nominal Watts	Amps@230v
0.5	101	0.44
1	205	0.90
1.5	329	1.40
2	400	1.74
3	600	2.50
4	800	3.46
5	1000	4.08
6	1250	5.16
7	1450	6.24
8	1546	6.70
9	1729	7.50
10	1909	8.30

NOTE: The Warmup® XSTAT thermostat can switch up to 16 amps. If you are installing more than two heaters you may require a junction box (see Page 4 - Electrical Considerations for details).

# How you can modify the mat

In order to fit your mat into a specific area, it may be necessary to cut and turn the mat (examples below). **NEVER** cut the heating element. When cutting and flipping the mat take care not to cut or damage the heating cable.



# Testing the mat

## Testing the mat

One of the most important steps to be taken when installing the mat is the testing process. You must ensure that the mat is tested BEFORE, DURING and AFTER installation using a multi-meter and a 3 pin plug.

### The Testing Process

The resistance (ohms) of each mat should be measured from the live (brown) wire to the neutral (blue) wire. We recommend the use of a digital multi-meter set to a range of 0-2 K ohms for testing.

NOTE: Due to the high resistance of the heating element, it may not be possible to get a continuity reading from the mat and as such, continuity testers are not recommended.

When checking resistance, make sure your hands do not touch the meter's probes as the measurement will include your internal body resistance and render the measurement inaccurate.

Make a note of the resistance readings in the table below. The table should be within +/- 5% of these measurements:

#### Specification for 150W Undertile Heating Mat

Mat Size(m <sup>2</sup> )	Ohms@230VAC
1	352.7
1.5	235.1
2	176.3
3	117.6
4	88.17
5	70.53
6	58.78
7	50.38
8	44.08
9	39.19
10	35.27
11	32.06
15	23.51

#### Specification for 200W Undertile Heating Mat

Mat Size(m <sup>2</sup> )	Ohms@230VAC
0.5	523
1	257.9
1.5	161
2	132
3	92
4	66.5
5	54.4
6	44.6
7	36.8
8	34.2
9	30.6
10	27.7

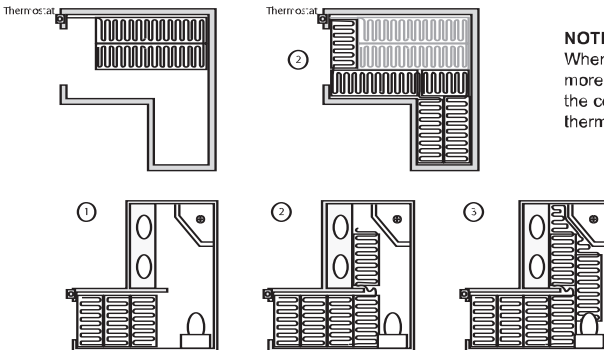
If at any time your readings are not in line with the guidelines above, or you suspect there is a problem, please call the Warmup Technical Helpline at 0845 345 2288



## Before installing the mat

### A Check mat size

Please take a moment to double-check that your plan has the proper room dimensions and that you have the correct size and proper number of mats. Once the mat has been cut it cannot be returned. Mats should run backwards and forwards between walls and obstructions as shown in the examples.



**NOTE:**  
When laying two or more heaters, ensure the cold tails reach the thermostat.

### B Before Installation Test

Perform the first test following the steps described above to ensure that the mat has not been damaged during transport. Do not wire to a plug at this stage.



# Installing the mat

## 1 Mark Floor and Mat

Using a permanent marker, mark out areas on the subfloor where units and fixtures will be fitted. DO NOT install the mat in any of these areas.

Start by laying the mat in the location closest to the thermostat (DO NOT affix or cut the mat yet). Mark the position of any turns or cuts that you will need to make to the loose wire on the mat and mark the positions on the floor.

Mark the positions and planned route of the power lead cables as well as the floor sensor. It is best to avoid placing the floor sensor in areas of heat fluctuations. It may be necessary to cut a channel in the floor to ensure the floor sensor is kept at the same height as the heating element. See picture A on page 6.

### NOTE:

If you have a loose wire (wire cut away from the fibreglass mesh) make sure the loose wires are no closer than 50mm from each other, the wall or from any other wires still attached to the mesh.

All joints need to be placed on the floor beneath the tiles. No cables may cross at any time (including the floor sensor and power lead).

## 2 During Installation Test

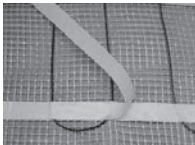
Perform the same test as described on page 6 to ensure that the heating element has not been damaged during planning.



## 3 Cut, turn and affix the Mat

When you have ensured that the mat has been laid correctly in step 2, start cutting and turning the mat where the marks have been made, beginning at the location closest to the thermostat. Be careful and never cut the heating cable. Affix the mat with double sided tape on the mat. Use tape to affix the loose wires.

Once the mat is fitted, check to ensure there are no loose sections paying close attention to the ends of the mats and any section which has been turned.



## 4 After Installation Test

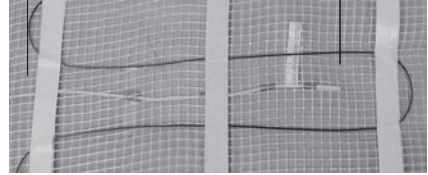
Perform the same test as in step 2 and temporarily wire each heater to a fused plug via an RCD, in accordance with normal wiring regulations. Run the heater for max. 20 minutes to ensure that the element heats up and is warm to the touch.



## 5 Install Floor Sensor

Place the floor sensor (from the thermostat) below the fibreglass mesh between two heating elements. The floor sensor must be installed centrally between the two runs of heating element and should extend a minimum of 150mm into the heated area. Secure the floor sensor using tape.

Min 150mm



### NOTE:

At this point you should check the resistance of the floor sensor using your multi-meter (200 K ohms). You should get a reading of approximately 9-23 K ohms depending on the room temperature. If you do not get a reading your floor sensor may be damaged. If this is the case call the Warmup Technical Helpline to request a replacement.

## 6 Fit Power Leads

Each mat is fitted with a single power lead for connecting the mat to the thermostat. To ensure the power lead remains at the same level as the heating element, you may need to cut or chisel a channel in the subfloor. When doing this take care not to damage the heating element. Secure the power lead in place using tape.



The power lead will go into the electrical trunking/conduit up to the thermostat. It is possible to shorten or extend the power lead but you must take care not to cut the factory made joint.

## 7 Tile and Grout the floor

Ensure you use ceramic tile adhesives and grouts suitable for use with underfloor heating systems (they must contain a flexible adhesive). It is important that each tile is solidly bedded in tile adhesive, with no gaps or voids beneath. (2 Part Flexible Adhesive)

### NOTE:

Do not store tiles or heavy objects on the mat while tiling. Wait for 8 days to allow the adhesive to dry before you switch on the system.



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Models: DWS heaters and FHM heaters manufactured by Warmup PLC -

**THE LIFETIME ELEMENT OF THIS GUARANTEE DOES NOT EXTEND TO THERMOSTATS WHICH ARE COVERED BY SEPARATE GUARANTEES. THIS GUARANTEE DOES NOT AFFECT YOUR STATUTORY RIGHTS.**

Warmup<sup>®</sup> Underfloor Heater is guaranteed by WARMUP PLC ("Warmup") to be free from defects in materials and workmanship under normal use and maintenance, and is guaranteed to remain so subject to the limitations and conditions described below:

The UNDERFLOOR HEATING is guaranteed for the LIFETIME of the floor covering under which it is fitted, except as provided below (and your attention is drawn to the exclusions listed at the end of this guarantee).

This lifetime guarantee applies:

1. only if the unit is registered with Warmup within 30 days after purchase. Registration can be completed by filling out the card accompanying this guarantee or online at [www.warmup.co.uk](http://www.warmup.co.uk). In the event of a claim, proof of purchase is required, so keep your invoice and receipt – such invoice and receipt should state the exact model that has been purchased; and

2. only if the heater has been earthed and protected by a Residual Current Device (RCD) at all times.

Thermostats are guaranteed for a period of 3 YEARS from the date of purchase, except as provided below.

Neither guarantee continues if the floor covering over the heater(s) is damaged, lifted, replaced, repaired or covered with subsequent layers of flooring.

The guarantee period begins on the date of purchase. Registration is confirmed only when a letter of confirmation is sent by Warmup PLC.

During the period of the guarantee Warmup will arrange for the heater to be repaired or (at its discretion) have parts replaced free of charge. The cost of repair or replacement is your only remedy under this guarantee which does not affect your statutory rights. Such cost does not extend to any cost other than direct cost of repair or replacement by Warmup and does not extend to costs of relaying, replacing or repairing any floor covering or floor.

If the heater fails due to damage caused during installation or tiling, this guarantee does not apply. It is therefore important to check that the heater is working (as specified in the installation manual) prior to tiling.

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1. Damage or repairs required as a consequence of faulty installation or application.
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3. Use of components or accessories not compatible with this unit.
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9. Any damage caused by frozen or broken water pipes in the event of equipment failure.
10. Changes in the appearance of the product that does not affect its performance.



SafetyNet<sup>TM</sup> Installation Guidelines:

1. Purchase a Warmup<sup>®</sup> Underfloor Heating Kit, and follow all recommended installation procedures in the Installation Manual. Failure to follow the instructions will invalidate the guarantee.

2. If you make a mistake and damage the new heater before tiling, return the damaged heater to Warmup within 30 DAYS along with your original dated sales receipt. WARMUP WILL REPAIR ANY PREFABRICATED HEATER (MAXIMUM 1 HEATER) WITH ANOTHER HEATER OF THE SAME MAKE AND MODEL – FREE.

3. If you damage the new heater during tiling, contact Warmup immediately to arrange for a site visit. You will need to show our engineer your original dated sales receipt. WARMUP WILL NOT CHARGE YOU FOR THE FIRST SITE VISIT – ON THIS FIRST VISIT THE ENGINEER WILL ATTEMPT TO REPAIR THE DAMAGED HEATER (MAXIMUM 1 VISIT AND 1 HEATER PER RESIDENT) FOR FREE.

Please note:

(i) Repaired heaters carry a 5 year warranty only. Under no circumstances is Warmup responsible for the repair or replacement of any tiles which may be removed or damaged in order to affect the repair.

(ii) The SafetyNet<sup>TM</sup> Installation Guarantee does not cover any other type of damage, misuse, or improper installation due to improper adhesive or sub-floor conditions. Limit of one free replacement heater per customer or installer.

(iii) Damage to the heater that occurs after tiling, such as lifting a damaged tile once it has set, or subfloor movement causing floor damage, is not covered by the SafetyNet<sup>TM</sup> Installation Guarantee.



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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Post code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Installer name \_\_\_\_\_

Date of purchase \_\_\_\_\_

Batch No. \_\_\_\_\_

Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_

Please state which room the heater(s) is installed:

Kitchen

Bathroom

Conservatory

Hall

other \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby confirm that I have read and understand the contents of the Installation Manual, and that the heater has been installed as specified therein. I acknowledge that no claim can be brought against the manufacturer or its agents for any consequential loss or damage whatsoever. I confirm that the heater was working prior to the commencement of tiling.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

# Documentation of Ownership, Installation & Part P Electrical Connection

This form must be filled out **completely**, otherwise you may invalidate your warranty.

Owner's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Owner's Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Post Code \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

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Installer's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Installer's Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby confirm that I have read & understood the contents of the installation manual & that the heater(s) has been installed as specified therein. I acknowledge that no claim can be brought against the manufacturer or its agents for any consequential loss or damage whatsoever. I confirm that the heater(s) was working prior to tiling.

Installer's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Electrician's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Electrician's Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Electrician's Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Electrician's Part P Certificate Number \_\_\_\_\_

Table of heaters installed:

Heater/Room	Model No	Serial No.	Batch No.	RCD Rating	Resistance Reading
1 - bathroom	DWS800	225543	0126855	30 Ma	63.9 ohms
2					
3					
4					
5					

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