

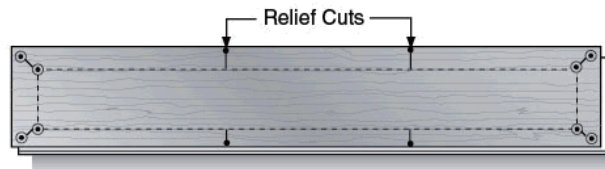
A damaged PVC board in the middle of the floor doesn't have to require ripping up your floor. You can fix it by cutting the board into pieces to remove it, and then taking a new board and adjusting the edges so that it fits right back into the floor. No complex equipment is required.

1. Things You'll Need

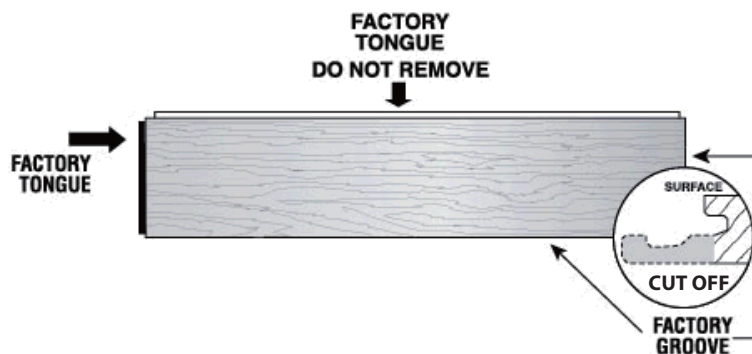
- Straightedge
- Soft surface cutting blade
- Rotary saw
- Screwdriver
- Utility blade
- Glue
- Weights

2. Instructions

- Mark damaged board 1-1/2" (3.81 cm) from ends and sides. Drill 3/16" (4.76 mm) holes in corners and at relief cuts.



- Set saw depth to board thickness. Cut along lines and remove center section. Make relief cuts using drilled holes as visible stop.
- Carefully lift and pull center length cut first, then work into corners to remove end pieces last.
- Using utility knife, prepare replacement board by removing bottom of groove on end and side (see drawing).



- Apply a thin bead of glue to the tongues of the remaining planks on the floor surrounding the plank being replaced (NOTE: a premium vinyl adhesive will suffice).
- Hold the board at a 45-degree angle. Slip the tongue that is still present into the groove at one end of the hole. Gently lower the board into place in the hole. Be sure not to get any excess glue on the surface of the planks. If some glue does get on surface, wipe off and clean immediately per the glue manufacturer's instructions.
- Weigh the board down with a few heavy books or other objects. Allow the glue to dry for at least 48 hours.

