

FLOOR GUARD STRIPPING USE AND INSTALLATION

1. GENERAL

1.01 This section describes the use and placing of plastic floor guard stripping under file cabinets to prevent water or floor cleaning solutions from seeping under and rusting the metal cabinets and staining the floor. (See Fig. 1.)

1.02 Whenever this section is reissued, the reason for reissue will be given in this paragraph.

2. INSTALLING

2.01 The stripping can be inserted under the file cabinets without dismantling or removing the drawers. Cabinets in rows should be bolted together to prevent creeping. Cabinets against a wall or in island installations require stripping only along the edges exposed to floor cleaning solutions; cabinets exposed on all sides require stripping completely around them.

2.02 Tools Required:

- Hammer
- Hardwood Block, 1 by 4 by 8 inches
- Wedge (chisel or pinch bar with at least a 12-inch shank, a wide face, and a dulled edge to avoid damaging resilient floor).

2.03 Procedure:

- (a) Pay out a length of stripping about equal to the exposed edges of the bank of cabinets.
- (b) Insert wedge under cabinet about 6 to 8 inches from the point at which stripping is to be started. For cabinets against a wall, the stripping is started where the cabinet meets the wall. For single cabinets exposed on all sides, the stripping is started so that the ends join in front or back at the center. For cabinets

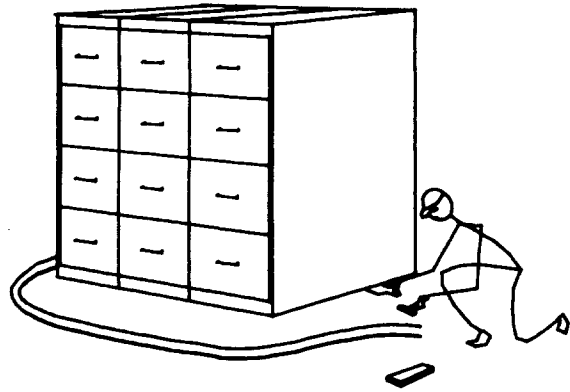
in island installations, the stripping may be started at any convenient point.

- (c) Insert stripping at the starting point for a distance of several inches.
- (d) Remove wedge.
- (e) Lay out stripping progressively against the edge of cabinet and drive it under by placing the long edge (8-inch) of the wood block against the stripping and striking the wood block with the hammer. If difficulty in driving the stripping under the cabinet at any spot is encountered, particularly where two cabinets join, insert wedge 6 or 8 inches ahead of difficult spot and then drive stripping in place. Continue this procedure until a corner is reached.
- (f) To turn a corner, mark stripping to locate corner, cut a 90-degree V notch in the web of the stripping, drive stripping under cabinet with wood block, and hammer before and after corner is turned.
- (g) Where the stripping does not afford a tight seal against the floor, place a shim between the inside surface of the stripping and the bottom of the cabinet. (Shimming between the outside surface of the stripping and the floor will not provide a satisfactory seal.) Pieces of stripping with the lip removed may be used as shim stock. This procedure may also be used for other furniture items requiring protection for the floor.

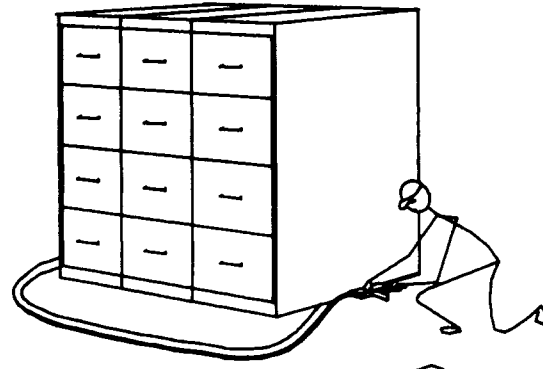
3. ORDERING INFORMATION

3.01 The stripping is available from Western Electric on regular requisition. It may be purchased in coils of 200 feet or any desired length up to 200 feet. Ordering information:

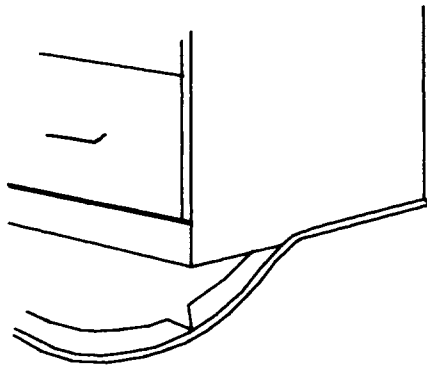
(Quantity) Feet, Stripping Guard, Floor.



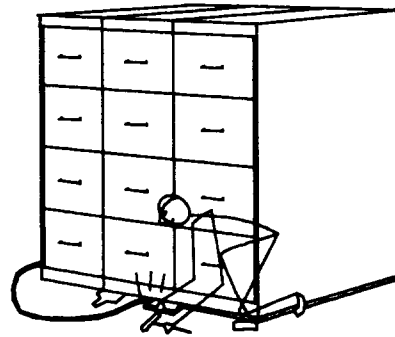
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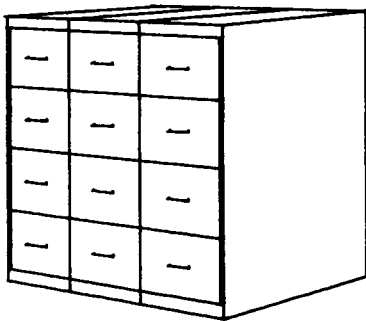
PROCEEDING



TURNING CORNER



DRIVING UNDER
DIFFICULT SPOT



COMPLETED JOB

Fig. 1—Floor Guard Stripping