Small-Bath Vinyl Plank Checklist

Confidently measure, prep your fixtures, and lay a waterproof floor.

Planning a small bathroom makeover requires precision. Follow this exact sequence to order the right material and achieve a realistic, waterproof oak look.



Critical Installation Specs

15%
Mandatory waste allowance to add

3/16 in
Max subfloor dip allowed

10 ft
Span to check for level

1/4 in
Expansion gap at fixed walls

Get the Real-Oak Look

Choose luxury vinyl planks with an embossed-in-register finish. This aligns the physical texture with printed grain lines, tricking the eye and feeling exactly like natural hardwood.

Find Your Area Coverage

Find your row: **Room Size**

Room Size	Your pick	Why
5 ft x 8 ft	40 sq. ft. area	Order 46 sq. ft. total
6 ft x 9 ft	54 sq. ft. area	Order 62 sq. ft. total

Weekend Installation Sequence

1. **Undercut the door jamb** Slice cleanly through wooden casings with a multi-tool so the new boards slip perfectly underneath.
2. **Blend from 4 boxes** Open multiple cartons simultaneously and stack them in a mixed pile to prevent artificial repeating patterns.
3. **Yes, the toilet moves** Run planks continuously beneath the flange, then confidently reinstall the heavy fixture directly on top.
4. **Silicone at the tub** Apply a thin bead of 100 percent clear silicone where the flooring meets the apron.

Check Before You Lay

- ○ Verify the packaging says stone polymer composite core for total waterproofing.
- ○ Check if you need a flange extender ring for the commode.
- ○ Stage your contour gauge and oscillating multi-tool in the hallway.
- ○ Ensure the wooden subfloor is aggressively sanded down at high spots.

Project Notes

Enjoy your beautiful, waterproof new bathroom floor!