

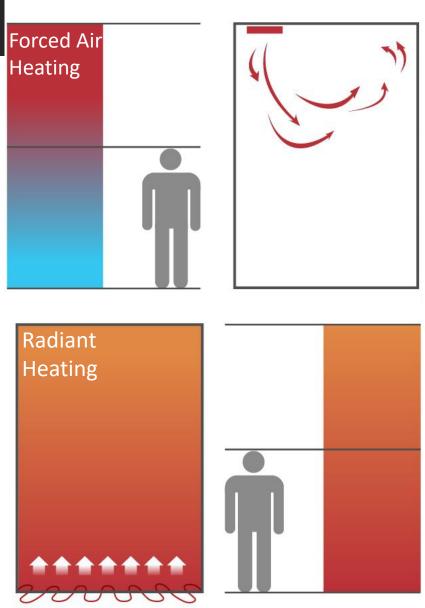
# The Fundamentals of Electric Floor Heating





# **Electric Radiant Floor Heating**

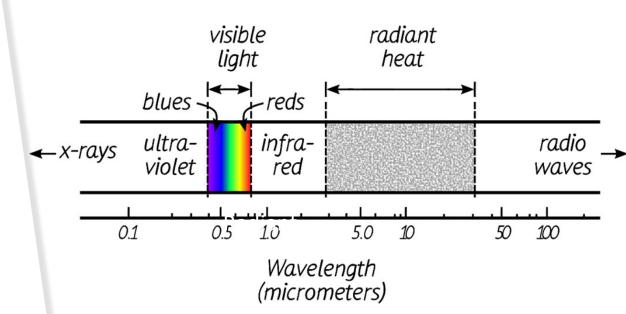
- Resistance cable that uses electricity to emit heat
- Adds minimal height to flooring surface
- Reduces allergens and dust when compared to forced-air
- Provides heat from floor to ceiling





# **Spectrum of Heating**

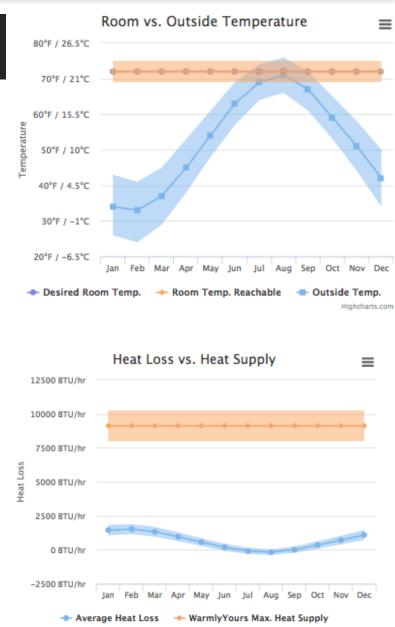
- Radiant heating falls under the "far infrared" wavelength between 9.5 & 10 µm
- Energy is converted to heat when it hits a solid object of a cooler temperature
- Heat retention and not heat absorption that creates feeling of warmth





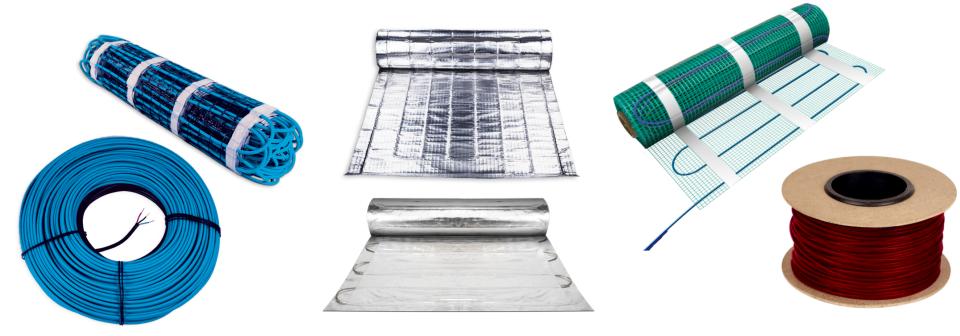
# Sole Source Heat vs Comfort

- Sole-source heat provides enough BTU's to heat a space to a sufficient comfort level
- A heat loss calculation should be done for every space in the house, especially larger areas
- Have room insulation information handy before doing your calculation at https://www.warmlyyours.com/tools/ heatloss-calculator
- Calculation will yield number of BTU's required to heat the space and help determine whether floor heating will provide enough BTU's





# **Electric Floor Heating Products**



Slab Heating	Environ	TempZone
For use under indoor concrete floors (embedded within concrete)	For use under carpet*, laminate and floating wood	For underneath ceramic tile, natural stone, hardwood, wood, and other popular flooring
	(*In the U.S. only)	materials



# Mats vs Cable

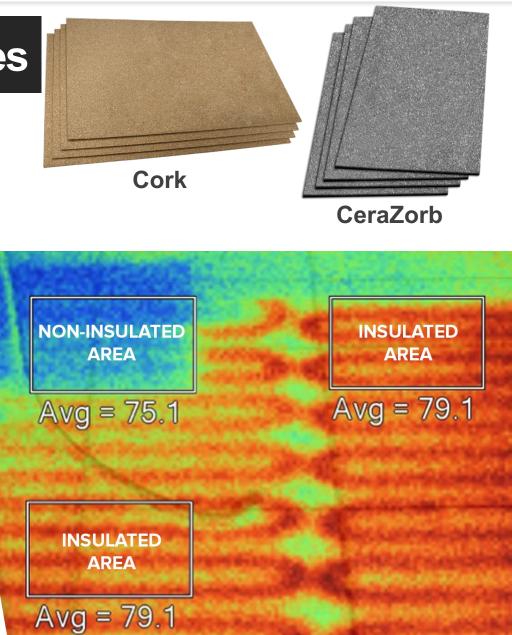
- Cable can be spaced according to desired output of heat
- The wider the spacing, the lower the wattage per square foot
- TempZone Mats have 3" prespaced cable attached to a mesh backing
- Wet location listed





# **Insulating Heating Wires**

- Concrete slabs are naturally cold and will absorb any heat
- You will need to use insulating underlayments to direct the heat up through the floor
- CeraZorb is especially useful in high moisture areas such as basements





# **Embedded Heat**

- Check installation instructions for acceptable radiant heat types
- If "embedded" heat is required, we quote our TempZone heating products EMBEDDED in 3/8" of self leveling underlayment
- See the video on our website which shows this process of heating a nailed-down hardwood floor





# Floating Heat

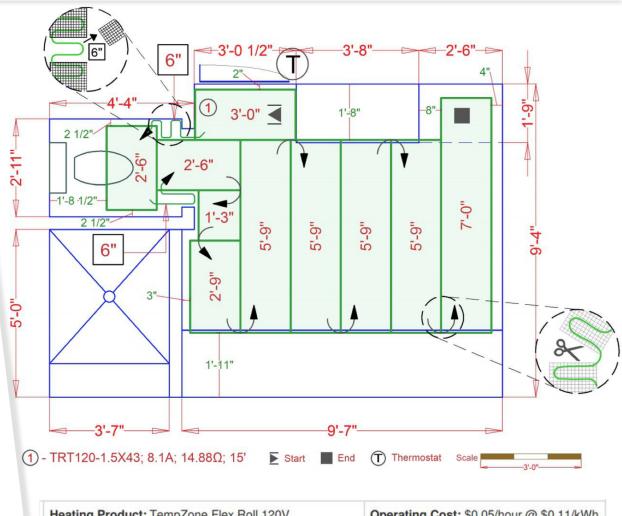
- Again, check installation instructions for limitations of applying radiant heating
- Rigidity of flooring will help you determine if Environ will work underneath
- See our past webinar on our website which shows the process of heating a floating laminate floor





# SmartPlan

- All of our systems come with a customized SmartPlan with full installation instructions
- When at the jobsite, always measure and verify dimensions before installing
- Electrical specs of the system are included with the SmartPlan



 Heating Product: TempZone Flex Roll 120V
 Operating Cost: \$0.05/hour @ \$0.11/kWh

 Wattage: 15 W/Sq.ft.
 Total Amperage: 8.1 Amps

 Breaker(s): 1 x 15 Amp 120V Non-GFI Circuit
 Total Wattage: 967 Watts

 Control: UDG4-4999
 Floor Load: 1.0 kW\*

 \* used during thermostat setup



# **Cross-Section of Cable**

#### **Conductor Core**

#### Fluoropolymer Insulation

#### **Ground Shield**

Sheathing



# **Constant Wattage**

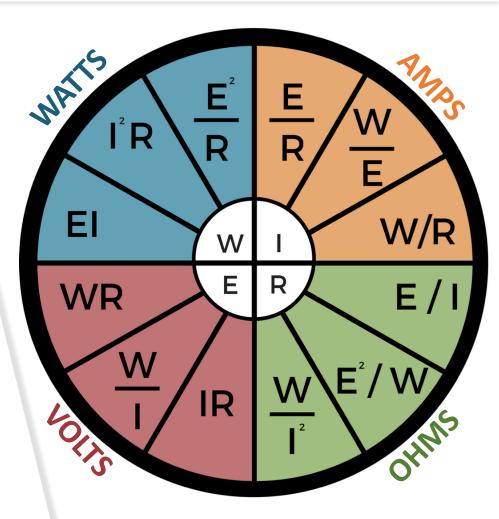
- Same wattage per linear foot consistent power output
- Not affected by environmental conditions, making it ideal for generating effective heat for many years
- All of our floor heating products as well as our Snow Melt systems are constant wattage cables





# **Ohms Law**

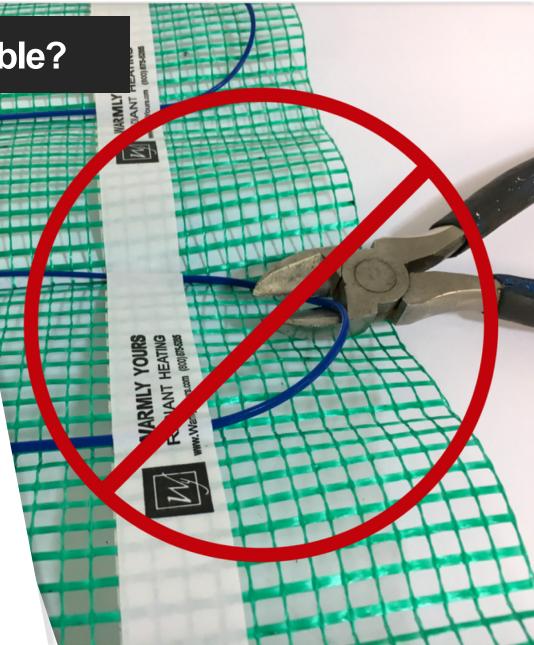
- Demonstrates the relationship between voltage, amperage and a circuit's resistance
- When voltage is applied to a resistant cable, it will create amperage
- Multiplying voltage by amperage creates wattage – Heat
- If the cable is shortened or lengthened, the resistance will change, resulting in a change in the watts per square foot





# Why Can't I Cut the Cable?

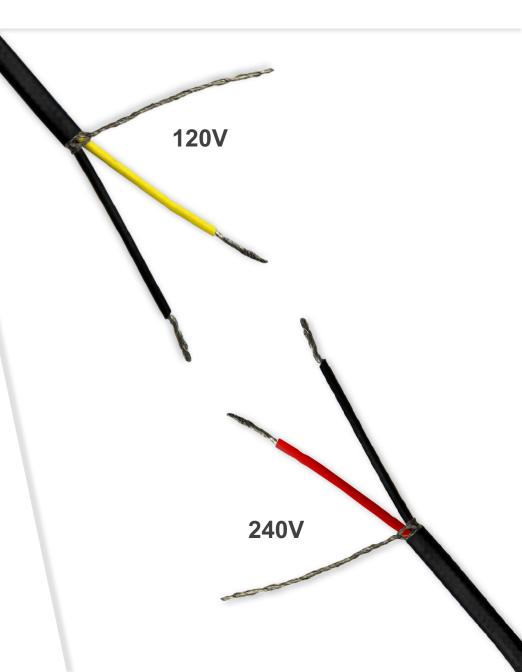
- Increases the wattage per square foot of the product, possibly leading to overheating
- Product will no longer be under warranty and will not meet NEC code
- Less resistance = more current (higher temperatures)
- More resistance = less current (lower temperatures)





# 120V vs 240v

- 240V is no more efficient than 120V
- Using 240V lets one cover twice the square footage while still using one controller
- Our thermostats can switch loads up to 15 amps in either 120 or 240 volts
- If the heating element is 120V, the power supplied to the thermostat must be 120V





# Adding a Power Module

- Our power modules can be hooked up to any of our thermostats to help provide additional power
- Electrical output can be increased in 15 amp Increments
- Power modules are connected to each other and to the thermostat in a "daisy-chain" using low voltage thermostat wire





# 80/20 Rule

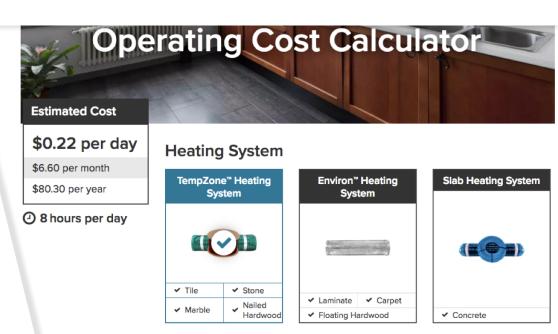
- When wiring a circuit, only 80% of that circuit rating can be used
- Our thermostats can switch up to 15 amps, but 14 amps of load cannot be placed on a 15 amp breaker
- For a 20 amp circuit, you could load only 16amps
- For a 15 amp breaker, only 12 amps should be loaded
- Always comply with all local codes



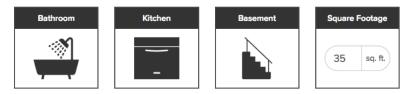


# **Operating Cost**

- Adjusting the spacing can help control the electrical costs for a system
- We also offer an Operating Cost Calculator on our website
- Our tool shows you the hourly, daily and yearly electrical costs



#### Room Size



#### **Energy Rates**

Your location helps us find the average energy rate in your area to ensure our calculation is accurate.



#### Daily Usage

Consider your room type and if this will be a supplemental or primary heat source.





# **Testing Your System**

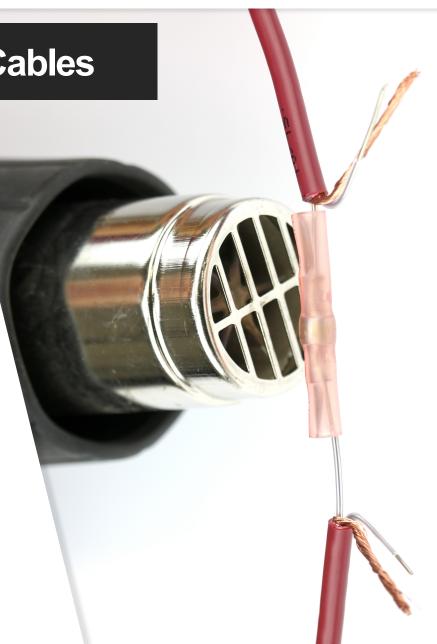
- Test when you receive the heating products
- Test your system once you have your mats/cable laid out correctly
- Test after you've finished installing your flooring





# **Repairing Floor Heating Cables**

- Repairs can be done without ripping up the entire floor
- Specialized tools can identify any damaged areas in a floor heating system
- Splice repair kits are offered on our website
- Contact our Tech Support team for details on how to rent the tools you'd need





# **Contact Us**

We're here if you have any questions.

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# Until next time, Stay Warm and Be Radiant