

HOW TO STOCK, PACK AND MOVE LARGE VETRITE SLABS

The following tutorial has the goal of indicating the right way to stock, pack and move large size Vetrite slabs. We suggest reading this tutorial alongside the Vetrite installation manual available on Vetrite's website (<https://www.sicisvetrite.com/>). The installation manual is a necessary document for whoever wishes to handle, install or work Vetrite.

PACKING AND STOCKING VETRITE SLABS

Vetrite slabs packed inside the crates used for their transportation never directly touch the wooden structure of the crate. The slabs and the wooden surface onto which they are placed are separated by 3-4 mm thick pieces of rubber.



The slabs that directly lean against the tripod-shaped structure at the center of the crate do not directly touch the wooden structure. A layer of polystyrene separates them from the wooden structure.

The purpose of such layer is to protect the slabs from nails or other alterations the flatness of the wooden surface that could damage the glass slabs.



The slabs are placed one above the other against the tripod. They are separated from the other slabs by a layer of paper. Make sure that the paper layer entirely covers the surface of the slabs, so that no glass slab directly touches another (which could damage the slabs' surface)



Once the Vetrite slabs are organized this way around the tripod, they are wrapped using a cellophane film and the crate is closed.

This is the way SICIS packs Vetrite slabs inside the crates designed for their transportation. It must be clear that, according to what is also stated by the installation manual, such crates are designed for the transportation of Vetrite, not for its long-term storage. It is also very important to observe the other instructions stated in the installation manual: Vetrite slabs must be stored indoor, direct

exposition to sunlight and exposition to bad weather (rain, snow, etc.) must be avoided, temperature of the storage area must be kept between 15°C and 25°C (= 59°F and 77°F), humidity must be kept below 80%, the slabs must be stored on a flat surface and not rest on few points (which could result in the deformation of the slab's shape), etc.

MOVING VETRITE SLABS

Vetrite slabs can be moved using tools such as glass vacuum lifters and suction cups. Such equipment is available in many different variants. Make sure that the equipment used complies with the laws and regulations that must be observed and that it is suitable to the operation that is going to be performed.



Make sure that the suction cups are securely attached to the slab that is to be moved. Place the suction cups so to make it easy for two people to move the slab.



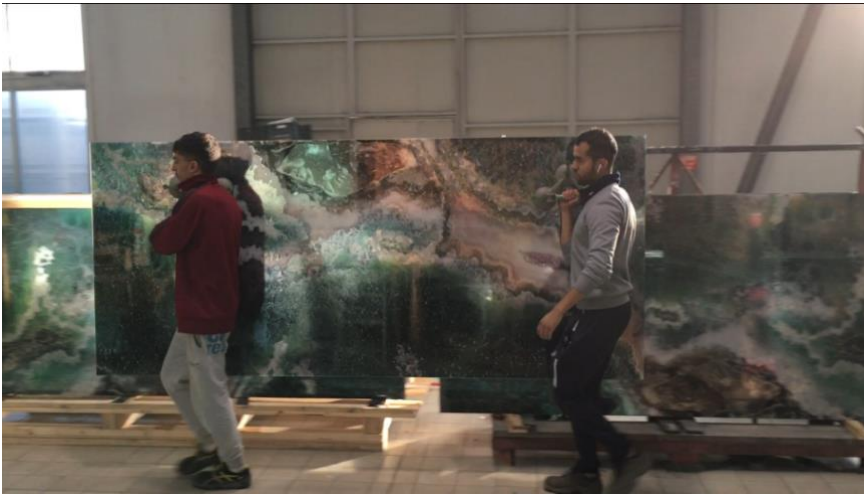
When moving a slab placed above other slabs, pay extra care when lifting it up. Make sure that lifting the slab up does not result in the other slabs to fall. To this end, it is vital that those who move the

slab first slightly lift the slab up, so that it detaches from the others, and only then move it against their bodies.



Move the slab to the point where it is to be placed or laid. Make sure that the slab does not bump against anything, as this could result in the cracking or breakage of the slab.





Place the slab where you intend to store or pack it. In case you wish to pack the slab using a crate identical or similar to those used by SICIS and described above, make sure that the slab is not directly placed onto the wooden structure but rather onto the rubber spacers mentioned above. Make sure that the slab does not rub against the slab above which it is placed. Make sure that the slabs are in a stable position. Only then remove the suction cups.



Put in place the necessary measures aimed at preserving the slab during its transportation inside the crate (use paper to separate the slabs, place a polystyrene layer between the slabs and the wooden tripod, etc.).