

# Not All Steps Are Created Equal

Installing stair treads has never been an easy part of the flooring industry, as it can be quite challenging and time consuming for the professional requiring a more focused approach toward attention to detail. In a perfect world every stair constructed would be an exact copy of the one above and below making measuring and cutting rubber stair treads and other stairway materials a measure once and cut all the same size a simple process, unfortunately that's not the case. Each stair has its own slightly different angles, and discrepancies do to many common factors, such as materials used, and construction conditions. A professional installer knows this and will never measure once and cut all to the same size.

Instead professionals know to approach each step individually which is a time consuming process. With the high cost of each tread the professional must pay close attention in order not to make a mistake. One process is done by creating a cardboard template and skillfully marking the edges of each individual step. This process can be time consuming and requires a certain level of skill to become professionally accurate!

Homemade wooden jigs are sometimes made with left and right independently adjustable edges. Still, this technique is also time consuming and not perfect either due to most step sides not being perfectly straight and square. With each rubber floor tread needing to be perfectly matched to each step there is little to no room for error. Any unacceptable gaps can over time collect dirt and water from the cleaning process and subject the tread to loosen and hasten the treads to fail with the need to be re-adhered or even replaced.

What makes Treadman unique and an invaluable tool for the stair tread installer is its design and function that gives the novice as well the seasoned professional, quick, accurate settings and perfectly cut stair treads that conform to the most difficult of steps you may come up against.

Treadman is a portable light weight tool weighting 6-1/2 lbs. Our standard unit won't leave you fatigued by the end of the day carrying it back and forth to the stair way.

## Treadman - A tool designed and engineered for the stair tread installation profession



Carry Case to Cutting Block

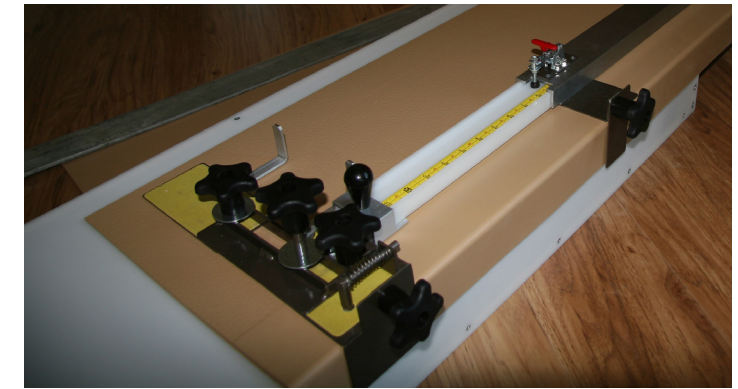
Perfectly Cut Tread

Treadman's Standard unit

With several stair tread challenges in mind Proknee Corporation has developed a tool specially designed for the stair tread installer. Treadman, a tool that will cut your installation time in half or more and give you quick and accurate measurements thus eliminating the chance of costly mistakes.



Treadman's Adjusted edges ready for cutting

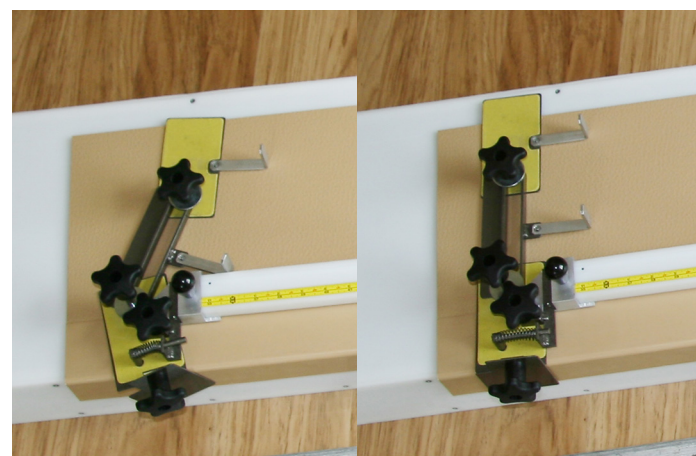


Treadman's Large knobs for quick adjustments

Treadman Quickly adjusts and conforms precisely to each individual step and securely locks in your steps and treads specific size and identical dimensions that you will be cutting your tread to. Treadman acts as your template and your cutting guide. Made up of 1/16" steel plates and built to withstand a lifetime of cutting. With large easy to adjust knobs and spring loaded edge plates Treadman makes your next measurement as quick and easy as your last. Treadman's standard unit has the ability to expand in length from 35-1/4" to 61-1/2", and with three other optional extension kits Treadmans range will expand from 24" up to 9'-1/2"! Treadman's rubber stairtread thickness gage automatically adjusts from 1/32" to 1/4". The optional self storage carry case is constructed from blade friendly high density polyethylene which expands and doubles as a sturdy heavy duty cutting surface specifically designed to cut and handle rubber stair treads up to 6-1/2 ft in length. An overall cutting surface of 13-1/2" x 6' 3-3/4" with a 1-7/8" vertical surface is provided for cutting nosing's.

With very little practice and time you will have mastered this tool which in turn reward the professionals with time savings and results of perfection.

For a more a more in-depth look and detailed instruction you can see treadman in action on youtube at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aFVCMIJVW1Y>



Treadman's Multi Angle Adjustable plates