The procedure for fixing wood strips for woodblock floor finish involves several steps. After the finish is laid, the wood strip flooring is usually sanded to remove the top thin surface using a heavy-duty drum sander. The major advantages of wood strip flooring include its ability to be sanded after wear to reduce the block to a level surface, and its resistance to twisting out of flat when securely nailed to wood battens. First, narrow strips of hardwood or softwood, free of knots, are cut to minimize shape loss due to shrinkage. The wood battens are secured to concrete floors using galvanized metal clips.