

Hanging Instructions Vinyl Wallcoverings

Preparation:

Examine wallcovering to ensure that pattern, colour and quantity are as ordered. If applicable separate goods by shade lot number, and install in roll number sequence. To ensure a perfect finish, walls should be prepared correctly; all holes should be filled, walls should be smooth, dry and cleared of any debris.

Moisture:

Moisture level should not exceed 4%. Any mildew **MUST** be removed from the walls and they must be treated to inhibit further growth. Do not hang vinyl over ballpoint pen, wax crayon, ink marker, oil-based stains or any foreign matter that may bleed through the vinyl. Use a pencil to mark vinyl or walls, as pencil marks do not bleed. Glossy surfaces should either be sanded to dull the surface or an application of Heavy Duty Primer should be made.

Torn drywall should be primed to seal the drywall without bubbling. On new drywall, if future strippability is desired and no primer is specified, use a quality strippable wallcovering adhesive. If a primer is specified, use a pigmented acrylic primer designed for use with wallcoverings along with a quality wallcovering adhesive with mould inhibitor.

Application:

Before beginning installation, examine pattern for colour uniformity and any pattern repeat in the design. For plain texture based designs, every other drop of the wallcovering should be reverse hung in order to ensure colour uniformity, using an overlap and splice technique.

Only full widths of material should be used for the most satisfactory installation. All material must be installed in roll sequence (numerical) within a shade lot, starting with the highest number first and going in descending order, with each strip in sequence as cut from the roll.

For designs featuring a pattern repeat, each drop of the wallcovering should be hung by overlapping the pattern, matched with the previous drop and overlapped and spliced. Piecing or hanging headers with strips cut out of sequence can cause shading at the seams. Be careful not to “score” the drywall when splicing.

Apply an even coat of adhesive to the back of the material using a stiff bristle brush, a roller, or a pasting machine in accordance with the label. The wallcovering should be applied to the wall as soon as it has become tacky. Smooth surface, working out air bubbles as you go using a stiff bristle smoothing brush or a plastic smoothing tool. As each drop is installed, immediately remove excess adhesive from the wallcovering surface using a sponge and a soft bristle brush frequently rinsed in clean warm water. Dry with clean toweling.

A professional vinyl cleaner/wallpaper remover should be used where adhesive has dried. Adhesive residue not cleaned promptly from the surface of the wallcovering will be difficult to remove and may discolour or leave a dull area at the seam. Vertical joints should not occur less than 15cm from outside and inside corners. Do not install wallcoverings unless a temperature above 12°C is maintained in both areas of installation and storage. After applying three drops, inspect the product and if there is any question of appearance, stop and contact Customer Service.