

PASTE-APPLY WALLCOVERINGS

Installation

SURFACE PREPARATION: Prime wall and allow 24 hours to dry prior to installation.

1. Wallcoverings require the use of **a heavy duty, premixed, commercial grade vinyl adhesive**. (Recommended paste: Roman PRO-880)
2. Apply the recommended adhesive to the back using either a paste machine or paint roller. Work the adhesive in to cover the back completely, especially near the edges. **Fold or book each end toward the middle, pasted sides together, aligning the edges carefully so they do not dry out.** Do not crease the wall covering. Allow to "relax" or "book" for 10 minutes. This will allow the adhesive to penetrate the wall fabric, which is important for successful installation.
3. Hang the first strip parallel to a plumb line. Use a wallcovering brush or plastic smoothing tool to remove the air pockets from under the wallcovering surface. Do not aggressively rub the face (printed side) as it could damage the wallcovering.
4. Ensure all adhesive is removed from the face before it dries using a cellulose sponge and clean water each time. Blot dry with a lint free towel.

Maintenance

STORAGE: Wallcoverings should be kept in a controlled environment maintained at 10°- 27° C. Store upright in the original packaging.

CARE: Wash with **warm water and clear mild soap** with a natural sponge.

GENERAL MAINTENANCE:

- Stains should always be removed as quickly as possible.
- Soak up any wet stains with an absorbent material.
- When cleaning always work from the edge of the stain to the centre in order to contain the stain.
- Clean with a sponge, warm water and mild detergent.
- Do not use brushes, or any caustic or abrasive cleaning products or tools.
- After cleaning be careful to remove all traces of dirt and cleaning products using a clean sponge and plenty of fresh water.
- Dry the surface off with absorbent cloths.



FAQs

What are the tools that should be used for applying primer/sealer and what is the drying time?

The primer/sealer should be absorbed into the wall, and should therefore be applied with a block brush or sprayed-on. The drying time of the primer/sealer is around five hours, however, we recommend allowing it to dry for at least 24 hours prior to installation. For best application, ensure the area to be covered is flat, firm, dry, uniform in colour, and free of dust and grease.

Is there a simple way of working out whether a wall is normally absorbent or highly absorbent?

Use a moistened sponge to dab the wall. In the case of a normally absorbent wall, the moisture is slowly absorbed from the sponge into the wall. In the case of a highly absorbent wall, the moisture will be absorbed quickly. Blue plaster, white plaster, fine or coarse floated work are base substrates with normal absorption characteristics. Pre-treat by priming with a commercial grade primer/sealer in the ratio of 1 part primer to 3 parts of water. Gypsum mortar walls, concrete and gypsum plaster board walls are highly absorbent substrates. Pre-treatment is required by priming with undiluted primer/sealer.

What is the maximum moisture percentage and the minimum temperature of a wall onto which a wallcovering can be applied?

Maximum 6% building moisture and minimum 10° C. You can determine the moisture percentage using a hygrometer.

How can I accelerate the speed of drying of a wall or room?

Using an air dehumidifier. Do not use a hot air gun as the moisture is merely displaced, not removed.

What happens if I try to stick the wallcovering on an excessively wet wall?

An excessively long drying time, poor adhesion, joints that open, parts of the wallcovering coming loose, bubble formation and possible discolouration.

Why is it important to remove remnants of adhesive from the wallcovering immediately?

If you leave the adhesive, it may discolour the printed surface and may not be removed.

Wallcovering Specifications:

Material Type	100% PVC Face
Backing	Polyester/Cotton Woven Backing (Osnaburg)
Gauge	18 mil
Weight	448 g/m ²
Thickness	457 microns/18 mil
Opacity	100%
Gloss Level	6.4 (60)
Fire Rating	Class A
Ideal Storage Conditions	70° F (21° C), 50% RH (controlled environment), store vertically in original packaging.
Shelf Life	1 year storage in original package under recommended storage conditions above.

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