

A Guide to Digitally Printed
WALLCOVERING INSTALLATION

STOP

Inspect all goods before trimming or pasting. No claims will be made on any wallcovering that has been trimmed or pasted. If you have any defects, please stop and contact your supplier before proceeding.

SUPPLIES*

- Broad Knife
- Paste
- Ruler
- Seam Roller
- Sponge
- Wallpaper Primer
- Bucket
- Ladder
- Lint Free Towels
- Paint Roller
- Pencil
- Oita Knife
- Spackle
- Tape Measure
- Scissors
- Drop Cloth
- Level/Plumb Bob
- Water Tray

*SUPPLIES MAY VARY DEPENDING ON PROJECT

CHECK YOUR ORDER

Prior to placing your order, we recommend that wallcovering quantities for your project be carefully calculated as there are NO returns allowed for custom digitally printed items. Our wallcovering is delivered untrimmed and requires pasting.

Upon receiving your custom wallcovering and prior to installation, please examine all goods to make certain the size, image and quality are satisfactory and as ordered. Check to see that you have received the artwork and quantity ordered and that all panels are included in the shipment. If the material is to be stored, make sure the pieces are stored flat in a temperature controlled, dry area, and not crushed.

SURFACE PREP

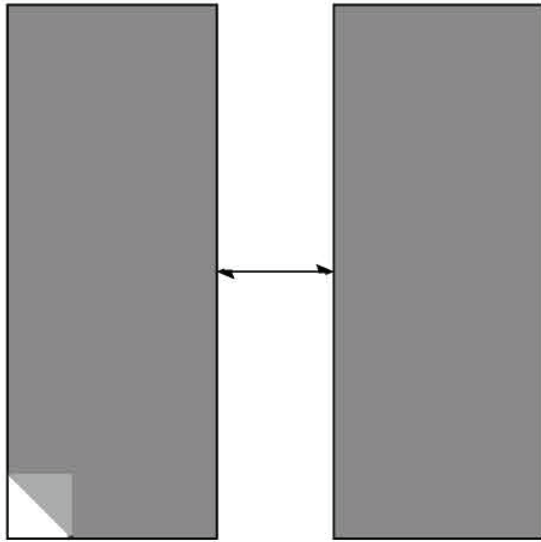
Proper surface preparation is essential for quality installations. Surfaces must be clean, smooth, dry and structurally intact before installing any wallcovering. Glossy and non-porous surfaces should be primed prior to installation of wallcovering. Where there is a color contrast between the wall surface and the wallcovering, it is always best to tint the primer to match the color of the wallcovering. All primers should dry completely before wallcovering is installed. For a superior installation, once primed and smoothed, a liner paper should be used to provide a receptive surface for the pasted sheet of wallcovering.

- On drywall (painted with latex or oil) use an acrylic primer for prep coat.
- On drywall (painted with builders flat) use a primer/sealer.
- On new plaster (after the proper curing time) or unpainted plaster, use size mixed with the adhesive you plan to install the final wallcovering with to prepare the surface.
- On any wall with stains or mold issues use a stain killer primer (mold must be treated with a bleach solution first).
- On a new or repaired drywall use a primer/sealer.
- On a wall surface with residual wallcovering paste use a primer/sealer.

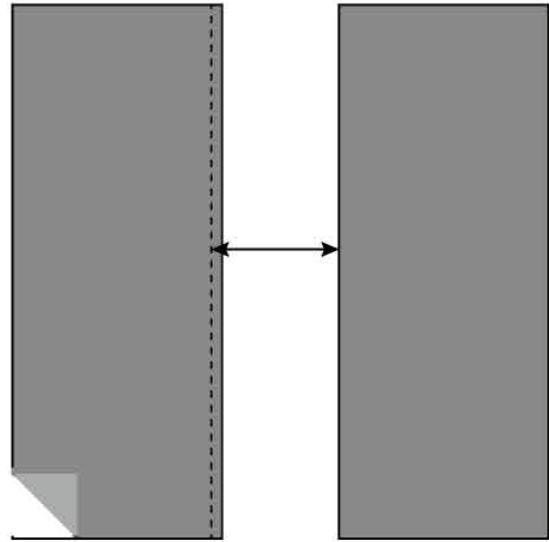
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1. Our wallcovering should be trimmed dry (un-pasted) on a large flat surface.
2. On both sides of the paper, use a fresh blade to trim flush with the edge of the pattern or guidelines. Our pattern match includes an overlap for double-cut installation. Careful precision is needed for clean seams. If you have arranged for no overlap, a "butt joint" technique may be used during your final installation. If you are unsure you will need to confirm prior to any trimming.
3. We recommend using a ready-mixed clear, non-staining adhesive. Heavy duty paste may be required depending on the final substrate chosen for your print. If in doubt, a heavy duty paste will not harm the wallcovering during installation. Do not oversaturate the backing of the wallcovering. Machine pasting is ok to use for all goods unless a specialty paper has been selected. Please consult with an associate if you are unable to determine what paste to use or if machine pasting is compatible. Please take time to pre-test the compatibility of the adhesive you choose with our paper. Hang 2-3 stripes and allow the wallcovering to dry completely to ensure that the adhesive and paper is performing satisfactorily. Clear adhesive can cause staining on some papers (including, but not limited to ShurStick models) and should be examined thoroughly on both the front and back of the paper to ensure they are non-staining. Please be sure to follow the adhesive manufacturer's directions carefully.
4. Apply adhesive to the back of the wallcovering panel using either a short-nap paint roller or pasting machine. Work the adhesive in to cover the back completely, especially near the edges. Allow panels to book as necessary.

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OVERLAP



Booking your Wallpaper: After pasting, fold the back (pasted sides together) and allow to set for 3 minutes before hanging. This will allow the wallcovering to relax and absorb the moisture while expanding or contracting. If booked too quickly, the wallcovering will shrink on your wall causing gaps between

BOOKING



WALLCOVERING INSTALLATION CONT'D.

Booking your wallpaper: After pasting, fold the back (pasted sides together) and allow to set for the recommended time before hanging. This will allow the wallcovering to relax and absorb the moisture while expanding or contracting. If booked too quickly, the wallcovering will shrink on your wall causing gaps between each panel.

5. Wallcovering will not require a lot of pressure during installation. Hang the first panel to a plumb line and allow it to overlap onto the ceiling and baseboard. Use either a soft bristle smoothing brush or plastic smoother, work wallcovering from the center out, to expel any air bubbles. Use the smoothing tools gently in order not to damage the image surface. Use light pressure. Do not press hard enough to remove the adhesive from underneath the wallcovering as this will result in air pockets.

6. Trim with a razor knife at the ceiling and baseboard, around windows, etc . Replace your blade with a fresh one after each cut

7. Line up the scored strip to the edge of the first strip making sure the image/repeat is aligned and smoothed out firmly. Care should be exercised so that the wallboard underneath is not scored. Seams should be vertical, have a tight fit, and be free from air and paste bubbles. Double cutting should be confirmed prior to trimming into any panels.

8. Sponge each strip with clean water to remove any excess adhesive. Use a soft bristle brush to clean if necessary. Change the wash water frequently and blot surfaces dry with a clean towel. During and after hanging, be certain all adhesive residue is completely wiped from the surface. It is important to use a damp sponge or soft damp towel and clean with warm water. Dry with a clean towel. An extra-absorbent microfiber towel is recommended. Avoid excessive use of water, which can re-activate the paste causing seams to split. Avoid rubbing too hard, which can burnish the surface.

If you or your installer have any further questions please contact your supplier
To find a professional installer in your area, we recommend the National Guild of Professional Paperhangers at thepaperhangers.com or ngpp.org