



Aurora Metallic (foil) Wallcovering Installation Instructions

Reflectivity is the nature of foil wallcovering and will be perceived differently from various points of view depending on influences such as lighting, wall angles, and surrounding objects. These variations are inherent in the product and are indeed part of its intrinsic beauty and should be considered neither flaws nor imperfections.

Check Before Cutting:

Before cutting and hanging, check color, condition, quantity, and quality. Be certain pattern and color are as ordered. Be sure that there is sufficient material to complete the job.

Check each roll for uniform shading, bearing in mind minor shading is to be expected. Should you have any questions, contact your Winfield Thybony representative or customer service at 800-486-6800 before proceeding. Even though great care has been taken in the production of this metallic foil wallcovering, variations in texture and color can occur. NO RETURNS will be accepted after the material is cut.

Wall Preparation:

Previous wallcovering must be fully removed and the resulting surface fully restored to smooth. Walls must be structurally sound, dry, clean and dust free. A smooth surface is particularly important with foil as imperfections in the wall may show. We recommend a minimum of a Gypsum Association level 4 finish to the gyp board surface. The use of a high-quality pigmented wallcovering primer is recommended.

Cutting:

Foils are usually cut into strips and dry trimmed. Take care to trim accurately. Be sure edges are even/parallel before installation. Cut to length, roll back towards master roll and mark in numerical sequence. This will mark the top of each panel and keep them in proper consecutive sequence.

**Adhesive:**

You MUST use a quality grade of clear, premixed, heavy duty vinyl adhesive, with a low water content. Do not dilute. Using another type of adhesive will be solely at the risk of the installer.

Apply an even coat of adhesive to back of the wallcovering using a 3/8" nap roller. Allow the pasted sheet to book for 8-12 minutes before installation to the primed wall.

In cases where dry hanging is preferred, you should apply moisture to the backing of the sheet of wallcovering by using a clean sponge and clean water to thoroughly dampen---but not saturate---the backing. Do not submerge in water. Then book the sheet after wetting for 8-12 minutes before then installing into the layer of adhesive which you have rolled onto the wall 15-20 minutes prior to installation of the sheet.

Test Hanging:

Test hang three strips installed in the orientation that is specific for your pattern and carefully review both the materials and the application. If satisfactory, continue the installation. If not, contact your Winfield Thybony representative or customer service at 800-486-6800.

Winfield Thybony assumes no responsibility for the installation of material beyond three panels. Under no circumstances will Winfield be responsible for labor. This is an industry standard.

Installation:

With patterned designs, start the initial match at eye level in the center of the wall. Always match repeat designs at trim join arrows (if found on the edge of your pattern.)

Apply material to wall using a soft brush or a plastic smoother to lay out the foil. Avoid creasing the material with that tool. Avoid trapping air bubbles under the foil. Use a rubber oval seam roller to secure butt seams. Wash smoothing brush and seam roller often, as an accumulation of paste on tools may mark or scratch the material.

It is extremely important to wash down the material immediately after hanging. If any residue is left on the surface it will appear visible to the eye after drying.

Wash seams with a damp sponge and clean warm water. Change rinse water



often. Dry carefully with a soft microfiber towel.

Caution: Foil must avoid all contact with electrical sources. The aluminum film can conduct electricity. Carefully trim foil to avoid contact with any source of live electrical energy. We recommend that the circuit breakers for the area be turned off in advance of installation.

Care & Maintenance:

Remove surface dirt and soiling conditions, using a soft clean sponge and warm water. Rinse with clear, clean water. If conditions persist, use a mild liquid detergent and rinse with clean water. Gently pat dry with a soft microfiber towel. Avoid hard rubbing and the use of too much water, as excessive water or soaking may damage the material.

For additional information or technical support contact Winfield Thybony Customer Service at 800-486-6800.

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