



The Keys | Installation Instructions

TYPE II Wallcoverings

Important:

If at any time before or during installation you do not understand these Application Instructions or if a discrepancy is discovered in pattern, color or quality, STOP. Contact your distributor before proceeding. Before cutting, carefully examine goods to make certain pattern and color are satisfactory and as ordered. Any deviation from these application instructions will void the manufacturer's warranty. Install all wallcovering under adequate lighting and heated conditions that will exist when the space is occupied.

SURFACE PREPARATION:

Remove old wallcovering completely then remove any remaining adhesive with a good quality adhesive remover. Rinse wall and allow to dry. All surfaces to receive vinyl wallcovering must be smooth, clean, dry and structurally sound. Newly plastered walls must not have excessive quantities of lime or alkali. Prime wall with a heavy duty acrylic/latex wallcovering primer. Plaster and masonry wall surfaces should not exceed 5.5% moisture as measured by a moisture meter. A moisture meter should be used to determine moisture content. Do not install a wallcovering unless a temperature above 55 degrees Fahrenheit/12.77 degrees Celsius is maintained in both areas of installation and storage for three (3) days after the installation. If there are any questions concerning the surface to be covered, a test installation of at least three (3) strips applied three (3) days in advance of the main installation is recommended.

APPLICATION:

1. This wallcovering requires the use of a heavy duty premixed vinyl adhesive. Dilution of adhesive is not recommended.
2. For patterns with a definite design (such as a floral or damask), do not reverse the strips. Some patterns (such as a cloud print or marble texture) may have a more subtle design characteristic than others. By first laying two strips together on the table or floor prior to pasting, the proper match can be determined. On random textures or non-directional stripes, reverse each strip. The match and design of each pattern determines whether it should be reversed or not. Your distributor or dealer can help you with this



information.

3. Apply the recommended adhesive to the back using either a paste machine or a 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. CAUTION: Do not crease the wallcovering. Allow to "relax" or book for 10 minutes (booking). This will allow the adhesive to penetrate the wallcovering fabric which is important for a successful installation.
4. Hang the first strip parallel to a plumb line.
5. After three (3) strips are installed, inspect the wallcovering. If the pattern effect is not acceptable or if there is variation in color, discontinue hanging and contact the dealer or distributor immediately. The manufacturer will not be responsible for labor beyond three strips. Defective material will be replaced.

Warranty:

This wallcovering is covered by the manufacturer's limited 5 year warranty. We cannot accept responsibility for claims if the above instructions are not followed, nor are we liable for labor and associated cost beyond three strips, over and above the cost for the replacement material.

Cleaning:

Stains and paste on the surface should be removed as quickly as possible to eliminate any possible reaction between the staining agent and the wallcovering. Ordinary dirt and smudges can be removed with a mild soap and warm water. Clean from the bottom of the wall upward to protect the baseboard and to prevent streaking. Rinse thoroughly with clean water from the top down using a sponge. Blot wallcovering dry with a soft, lint-free towel. For more difficult stains, use of a stronger detergent is recommended. Try an inconspicuous spot first before attempting the entire wall. Always rinse the wall well after applying a detergent. The use of steel wool or powdered abrasive cleaners is not recommended for cleaning. Do not use active solvent type cleaning preparations, such as nail polish remover, tar and bug removers or liquid cleaners with a high alcohol content exceeding 50%.

Professional Tip:

A heat gun can be used to facilitate ease of installation around corners.



Product Use Advisory:

This product is intended for use in buildings designed and maintained to avoid moisture accumulation on or within walls, particularly in warm, humid climates. The features that make vinyl wallcovering so cleanable and durable also render it very low in permeability. Vinyl wallcovering products should not be installed on walls that contain excessive moisture or are subject to moisture infiltration (more permeable products should be considered for use under such conditions). If mold or mildew is present or if walls show moisture damage or have excess moisture content, do not proceed with installation. Moisture infiltration and water vapor in and behind the wall must be eliminated for proper performance. The use of a mildew inhibitor in the primer and adhesive is highly recommended. After installation, the walls and wallcovering should be monitored for potential moisture or water vapor infiltration and accumulation. Any such infiltration or accumulation after installation must be promptly eliminated.

For additional information or technical support contact Winfield Customer Service at 800-468-6800.

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