STANDARD INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

Important - If at any time during the installation a discrepancy is discovered, STOP! Contact your distributor before proceeding. Also, always check manufacturer's instructions.

- Please note that The Wallpaper Company is unable to entertain product claims after three (3) panels have been hung or if material is cut and glued in excess of three (3) drops.
- Before cutting, examine goods to make sure pattern and color are as ordered. Check all roll tickets to determine if more than one run or lot number of the same pattern is to be installed.
- Cut panels and headers into a roll number sequence, making sure that run numbers are broken at INSIDE corners only. Allow for matching of repeats and trimming at the ceiling and the baseboard.
- Many matched patterns, geometric patterns and textiles should be table trimmed before installing. A sharp blade should be used to minimize fraying of fabric (use one blade per cut). Other patterns should be overlapped and double cut on the wall. A double cutting tool or seam pad is recommended to prevent scoring the wall.
- Number panes and headers as they are cut from the roll and apply to the wall in the same sequence.
- Install all wallcovering under adequate lighting and evaluate for color uniformity. When proper lighting conditions are not possible, duplicate the final lighting conditions as nearly as possible.
- We recommended a Wall Surface Level 4 sheetrock finish or similar.
- Take extra care to keep adhesives and dirt from the wallcovering surface.
- After three panels have been hung on the wall surface and excess paste removed, examine the installed panels for uniformity in color. If any color variation is noticed, discontinue hanging and contact the distributor.

WALLCOVERING ADHESIVES

There are many types of wallcovering adhesives, each formulated for various performance characteristics. These characteristics fall in two general categories:

- How they bond the wallcovering to the wall surface.
- How they apply to the wallcovering - this is a major consideration for the installer.

Wallcovering adhesives are formulated for specific applications. Some adhesives are formulated for lightweight and delicate fabrics while others are designed to adhere heavyweight vinyl and acoustic coverings.

Adhesives vary in level of wet-tack, solids, open-time, strippability and ease of application. All wallcovering adhesives contain a biocide system. These systems are designed to prevent bacteria contamination and mildew / fungal infestation both "in-the-can" and in the dried adhesive. Wallcovering adhesives are generally applied on the back of the wallcovering either by roller or pasting machine.

SPECIAL NOTES FOR TEXTILES:

- Natural fiber color variation, slubs and knots are an intricate part of each textile design and are used to enhance the beauty and texture of each pattern.
- Textiles are generally designed to be installed non-reversed.
- Extreme care must be taken to keep adhesives from the face of textile wallcovering. Adhesives on the surface may prove to be difficult or impossible to remove without staining. Clear adhesives that are designed as non-staining should be used.
- Selvage (excess trimmed edge) should be removed from the wall and seams closed within one hour.
- Acrylic-backed or unbacked textiles should be dry hung.
- The walls should be pasted with a paint roller. Paste a section 4 to 6" wider than the width of the wallcovering. In some cases, the adhesive should be allowed to tack sufficiently in order to provide greater adhesion and prevent adhesive bleed through.
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SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR FABRIC-BACKED VINYL:

- When installing textured or non-matched patterns, reverse hanging of alternate strips may be required to ensure color uniformity from strip to strip.
- Apply adhesive to the back using a pasting machine or roller. Work the adhesive to cover the back completely, especially near the edges. Fold each end forward, pasted sides together, aligning edges carefully so they do not dry out. CAUTION: Do not crease wallcovering. Allow to "relax" or book for 10 minutes. This will allow the adhesive to penetrate the wallcovering fabric which is important for successful installation.