

Wall Preparation

Borders and cut-outs may be applied to any dry, clean, smooth surface. Old wallpaper or other surface materials should be removed before application.

Fill cracks with a spackling compound or plaster patching and sand to a smooth surface. Glossy or enamel finish walls should be lightly sanded, then washed with a common household detergent and then allowed to dry completely. Any greasy surface should be cleaned with a strong ammonia solution and then allowed to dry completely.

Prime the surface with a wallcovering primer/sealer to smooth the surface and make it easier to remove the border in the future. We recommend that you install your border directly to a prepared wall surface, not to the surface of underlying wallpaper.

Dealing with Mold or Mildew

Any area with mold or mildew should also be prepared before application. Wash any mold or mildew areas with chlorine bleach (1 cup Clorox® to 3 quarts water). Rinse clean and then let dry.

Before You Apply Wallcovering!

Extreme caution should be used when trimming or hanging wallcovering around electrical outlets. Turn off ALL electrical current to room at the fuse or circuit box.

Tools You May Need

- Sturdy step stool or stepladder
- Razor blade knife and extra blades
- Tape measure
- Level or plumb bob
- Yardstick or straight edge
- Clean sponge or soft cloth
- Clean water and a water tray
- Drop cloth
- Large plastic trash bags



Border Application

Open and inspect the product for defects.

To activate the paste, use a 3/8" nap roller to roll lukewarm water on the back (unprinted) side of the border. Or, roll up the length of the border loosely (pattern inward) and soak for 10 seconds in a water tray 3/4 full of lukewarm water. Remove carefully from the water tray, allowing the excess water to drain into the tray.

"Book" the border by folding it without creasing it, pasted side to pasted side (bring in both edges toward the middle), for 3 to 5 minutes.

Begin in the room's most hidden corner (behind the door, for example), and smooth the border in place with a sponge. Use your sponge and clean water to wipe clean the border and surrounding wall area. Install remaining border sections using the same procedure, taking care to match the pattern. When you reach an outside corner, simply wrap the border around it. When you reach an inside corner, simply press the border firmly into the corner with a soft cloth or wallpaper brush to adhere it smoothly to each wall and snugly in the corner. Be sure to press the border firmly into the corner and against each wall to prevent it from pulling away from the wall as it dries.

Wallcovering is very strong when wet; however we recommend that you do not apply a great deal of side-to-side pressure when applying the material. We also recommend using a "smoothing" brush to remove air pockets or paste lumps. Work air pockets or paste outward toward the edges. If you are using a squeegee, always use a plastic blade instead of a metal blade as metal may tear through the material or damage the printed surface.

Trim your border with a clean, single edge razor blade or a sharp pair of scissors.

Cut-Out Application

Open and inspect the product for defects.

Trim around the perimeter of each cut-out using a clean, single edge razor blade or a sharp pair of scissors.

To activate the paste, use a 3/8" nap roller to roll lukewarm water on the back (unprinted) side of the cut-out. Or, soak it for 10 seconds in a water tray 3/4 full of lukewarm water. Remove carefully from the water tray, allowing the excess water to drain into the tray.

Position the cut-out on the wall and smooth it in place with a sponge. Use your sponge and clean water to wipe clean the cut-out and surrounding wall area. Be sure to press the cut-out firmly into place to prevent it from pulling away from the wall as it dries. Work air pockets or paste outward toward the edges. If you are using a squeegee, always use a plastic blade instead of a metal blade as metal may tear through the material or damage the printed surface.

Cleaning Your Wallcovering

Sponge-clean your wallcovering. Use a lukewarm, mild detergent solution. Do not use abrasive cleaners containing chlorine bleach, solvents, or ammonia as they may attack and damage the printed surface.



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