

Design Gallery Installation Instructions

Surface Preparation:

All surfaces must be clean, dry, smooth and structurally sound. Sand finish plaster must be scraped smooth. Cinder or cement block must be plastered or cemented before application of wallcovering. Newly plastered walls must be thoroughly dry and cured before application. A minimum level 4 gypsum board finish is required. A high quality pigmented acrylic wallcovering primer is recommended for all surfaces. Check adhesion of the primer before starting to install the wallcovering.

Usual wall preparation is satisfactory, except on highly alkaline surfaces such as cement block and portland cement plaster. Walls that are tightly sealed with several coats of paint or alkyd sealers must be opened with rough sandpaper prior to application of the wallcovering primer in order to allow adhesive to properly dry out.

Application:

1. Before cutting and hanging, inspect all material for color, condition, quantity, and quality. Verify color and pattern numbers as well as run/lot numbers are consistent and are as ordered. Be sure that there is sufficient material to complete the job. No allowances will be given for any material once cut by the installer. Inspect each roll for uniformity in sheen and color before installing. Install under final site lighting conditions only.

Should you have any questions, contact your MDC representative or customer service (800)621-4006 before proceeding. Even though great care has been taken in the production of this wallcovering, minor variations in texture and color can occur.

- 2. Cut and install material in consecutive bolt sequence as marked on each bolt label.
- 3. A pre-mixed, heavy-duty vinyl adhesive (such as Roman PRO-774, Clay, or PRO-880, Clear) should be used by the installer. Do not dilute.
- 4. Apply the recommended adhesive to the back of the material using either a pasting machine or a ½" paint roller. Fold/book each end towards the middle, pasted sides together, aligning the edges carefully so they do not dry out. Do not crease the material. Allow the material to rest/book for 10 minutes before installing
- 5. Use strips in exact order as they are cut from the roll. Reversing strips, if specified for your pattern, may reduce shading at the seams. Fill in over doors and windows as you come to them using strips cut in consecutive order from the roll. Do not return to drop in headers. Hang only 1-2 strips at a time. Seams should be overlapped and double cut.
- 6. Smooth material to hanging surface with a plastic smoothie or soft bristle to eliminate air bubbles and ensure adhesion. Remove paste on the surface of the wallcovering immediately with clean warm water using a clean natural sponge. Change the water often. Take care to not flood the seams. Blot dry with rags.
- 7. STOP AFTER APPLYING 3 STRIPS and seek approval from GC or specifier. If there are any variations in color and/or color match, this should be immediately communicated to MDC for inspection before proceeding further with installation. No labor beyond those three sheets will be considered at any time.

For additional information or technical support contact MDC Customer Service at 800-621-4006