

Encore Kimball

35oz. Deeply Textured Vinyl

Installation Instructions

- Surface Preparation:** Gypsum Board, whether new or previously painted, should be a minimum level 4 finish. All surfaces should be structurally sound, smooth and clean. Verify moisture content to be less than 6% by using a moisture meter. Seal any existing pen or ink marks or patches with a spot sealer. Address any mold or mildew issues in an appropriate manner prior to commencing installation. Remove any grease and sand any sealed surfaces. Test all existing paint for adherence and moisture resistance by conducting an appropriate moisture resiliency test. Apply a high quality pigmented acrylic wallcovering primer (such as Roman PRO-977) and allow an overnight dry prior to application.
- Inspection:** Review all received materials to verify that the pattern, color, quantity and labeling are consistent and are indeed the product ordered. Note if you have received more than one run/lot of material and adjust planning and placements of each run/lot accordingly. Please verify the specific method of installation for your specific product before you begin. Contact your MDC representative or MDC customer service at 800-621-4006 if you have any concerns or questions.
- Storage of Material:** Maintain the bolts in temperature controlled storage which does not exceed a maximum of 95 degrees F and a minimum of 40 degrees F. Be certain to acclimate each bolt prior to installation by moving to the interior where it is to be installed at least 72 hours in advance of the installation. Maintain temperature of 68 degrees F before, during and for at least 10 days after installation.
- These are heavy bolts. Do not stand on end. Periodically rotate each bolt during storage to avoid forming flattened sides. Cushion the shelving or pallet surface for longer term storage. Do not stack to compress this material over a prolonged time in storage.
- Application:**
1. Because of the thicker dimension of these goods, we do not recommend double cutting them on the wall. Table trim to remove approximately 1" off each side edge of the material at an appropriate placement with regards to the pattern and with the intent that you will be butt seaming the resulting edges. Keep your trim edges straight and parallel to each side. Use a fresh blade for each cut. Trim in the middle of the "eyeball" shape along one column of the emboss so the resulting seam will split that shape equally on each side of the seam.
 2. Begin by roller applying a layer of Roman PRO-732 or ShurStik 111 adhesive onto the primed wall surface to which you will be applying the wallcovering. That adhesive layer should have a dry out of 30-40 minutes in advance of installation.
 3. Identify the highest bolt of your sequence numbers and begin with that, installing highest to lowest. Cut three sheets and roller apply adhesive to the back of the material. Allow those to book or relax for 15 minutes.
 4. Begin by aligning the initial edge of the first sheet to a plumb line. Mark the wall or the sheets to be certain you follow the required manner of installation (reversing every other sheet as the recommended method). Use a bristle sweep to apply the goods and secure into place.
 5. Install sheet #2 in the same manner. Align the two halves of the "eyeball shape" at eye level, tightly abutting the seam. You should expect that the "eyeball" patterning will not remain in consistent alignment down the full seam. This is a random product, and by aligning the emboss at eye level, you will have maximized the appearance of the emboss for a best practice. After three sheets have been installed, have all pertinent parties review those

results under completed/final site lighting. Check for color, consistency, and shading. If any variation or objection is noted, cease installation and contact MDC immediately. Proceed only if all parties have approved. If you wish to evaluate a non-reversed version for site approval, simply reverse the final sheet of the three and re-assess. Installation of additional sheets implies acceptance of the material.

6. Install only as full width sheets. Do not drop in narrow widths at doors and windows. Take care to remove all adhesive from the deep emboss using a natural sponge and clean water. Blot to dry.

Corners:

Outside. Wrap the material around each corner bead so as to have no seam within 10" of the corner. Use a hot air blower to soften the material when wrapping, then set with a cool damp sponge. Make certain all corners are pre-pasted 30-40 minutes prior to installation. Replumb the wrapped sheets at the 10" point.

Inside. Wrap if the corners are plumb and straight so that you have no cut within 10" of the actual corner. If not straight, then trim directly in the corner, protecting the substrate and gyp board tape as needed. Otherwise, wrap and replumb the wrapped sheet at the 10" mark off the corner. Be certain the material is not webbing away from the corner as you install. Set tightly in the corner.

Short wraps (less than 10") are to be avoided with this material.

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