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a quick guide to WALLPAPER INSTALLATION

step 01 | SUPPLIES

GENERAL SUPPLIES NEEDED TO INSTALL WALLPAPER

- Tape Measure
- Broad Knife
- Paint Roller
- Plumb Bob or Level
- Pencil
- Bucket
- Scissors
- Paste
- Lint Free Towels
- Drop Cloth
- Ladder
- Sponge
- Straight Edge Ruler
- Water Tray
- Seam Roller
- Spackle
- Wallpaper Sprayer
- Razor Trim Knife
- Smoothing Brush
- Universal Wallcovering Primer

step 02 | INSTALLATION

PREP – Before you begin installing your wallpaper, prepare your surface and clear the work area. Make sure electrical outlets are off and remove wall fixtures. For best results, clean and properly prepare all wall surfaces. Old wallcoverings and paste residue should be removed.

Next, prepare your wall with a premixed universal wallpaper primer-sealer. Priming the wall is an important step when hanging unpasted wallpaper as it protects and seals the wall and allows for the wallpaper to remove more easily.

MEASURE & ACTIVATE THE PAPER – When ready to begin, measure the wall length, then add 4" and cut your wallpaper. You want the paper to overlap at the ceiling and the baseboard by approximately 2".

Quick Tip: Be sure to allow for pattern match, either random, straight across or drop match.

HANGING PAPER – You can either paste the wall or paste the paper. If pasting the wall, apply paste evenly to the wall, covering an area for one strip only. If pasting the paper, apply an even coat of paste to the back of the wallpaper, working from the center to the edges. Then loosely fold the moistened strip, pasted sides together and let sit for three minutes. Avoid creasing the paper. This is known as booking.

Quick Tip: If installing heavy weight paper and specialty unpasted papers including cork, embroidered, and flock, you will want to use a clear, non-staining heavyweight premixed paste adhesive as opposed to a clear, light-medium weight paste.

HANGING FIRST STRIP – After booking for three minutes, carry your strip to the wall, unfold and hang. Allow overlap onto the ceiling and baseboard. Using a smoothing brush or plastic smoother, remove any air bubbles and make sure all of the wallpaper has made good contact with the wall without distorting or stretching the wallpaper. Use a seam roller to lightly flatten seams.

PROCEED TO SECOND STRIP – If butting, place the second strip to the edge of the first strip and smooth out firmly. Be certain to wash the ceiling and the baseboard to remove any paste residue. Protect the face of the wallpaper when cleaning. Seams should be vertical, have a tight fit and be free from air and paste bubbles.

After three panels have been smoothed to the wall surface and excess paste removed, examine the installed panels for uniformity in color. Proceed in the same manner around the room.

Follow the steps above to keep going and finish hanging your strips.