

Studio Zen Wallcoverings

HANGING INSTRUCTIONS FOR WOOD WALLCOVERING

STOP: Do not cut or install until you have read these instructions!

Thank you for choosing Studio Zen handcrafted wallcoverings. We recommend professional installation of this fine wallcovering. To find a professional in your area, contact the National Guild of Professional Paperhangers at (800) 254-NGPP or visit them on the web at www.ngpp.org.

Studio Zen Wallcoverings recommends that a quality liner paper be used under our wallcoverings. Please consult with your paper hanger prior to installation.

Preparation:

Before you cut and hang, please be sure you:

- 1. Have the correct wallcovering and the correct amount of wallcovering to finish the job.
- 2. Inspect the wallcovering carefully to insure it is free of defects.

If no defect is evident before installation, the material should be inspected after three (3) strips are installed. If any defect is evident at this time (or at any point in the installation) no additional material should be hung until Studio Zen Wallcoverings is notified.

NO CLAIMS WILL BE ALLOWED FOR MORE THAN 3 STRIPS ON THE WALL.

All claims must be made within 30 days of the invoice date. No labor claims will be allowed at any time.

Building & Material Conditions:

The building must be weathertight with HVAC setting (including pressure, temperature and relative humidity) the same as those of an occupied building for three days prior to, throughout installation and three days after installation. The wall must be structurally sound including elimination of sources of moisture accumulation into the wall or wall cavity. The wallcovering must be in a clean and dry condition and must be stored at normal occupied building temperature and humidity for at least three days prior to installation. All adhesives and primers must be new, good quality commercial grade materials, which have not been contaminated.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE STOP AND CONTACT STUDIO ZEN WALLCOVERINGS BEFORE PROCEEDING.

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Wall Preparation:

- The walls to be covered must be properly prepared to insure that the wallpaper will adhere to the wall surface.
 Even the strongest adhesive can only work when the wall surface is clean and properly prepared.
- 2. We recommend that installers use a hard, acrylic, pigmented, wall-protecting primer that is SPECIFICALLY made for WALLCOVERING INSTALLATION and WALL PROTECTION. DO NOT USE R-35.
- 3. Allow the primer to dry thoroughly before hanging.
- 4. Apply an acrylic or latex primer / sizer that is made specifically for wallcovering.

INSTALLATION

Adhesive

- 1. We recommend a clear, premixed vinyl adhesive.
- 2. Apply the paste to the back of the paper, which will become flexible and easy to hang. Allow the paste to become tacky prior to hanging (exact time will vary based on temperature, humidity, etc.).
- 3. Do not add excessive water to the paste as it may cause the backing paper to pull away from the front.
- 4. It is important to keep the face of the wallcovering free of adhesive.

Trimming

- The edges have been pretrimmed at the factory. However, you may wish to double cut the
 wallcovering to create as fine a seam as possible.
- 2. Trim edges with a VERY sharp razor blade. Change your blades often.

Tips

- 1. Use a soft brush or cloth when hanging, so that you do not damage the face of the wallcovering.
- DO NOT allow paste or excessive water to stain the front of the wallcovering. Both paste and excessive water will change the color of the woods on the face of the paper.
- We recommend a heavy duty premixed, clear, nonstrippable waterbased adhesive to be used.
 Do not dilute the adhesive.
- Apply paste with roller to ensure even application, taking care not to get adhesive on surface.
 Do not use a pasting machine and avoid excessive soaking of material.
- Installation location must be climate controlled. Booking time will vary depending on temperature, climate and product backing.
- 6. In the event that the wallcovering does not adhere properly to the wall, prepasting the wall and letting it dry before applying the wallcovering will create the additional tack needed to complete the job.
- Table trimming and butting materials on the wall is recommended for our Woods, using a fresh blade and straight edge for every cut.
- 8. Woods should be straight hung.
- 9. Hang Woods in sequence as cut from bolt. Paste and hang one strip at a time.
- 10. It is possible to overlap and double cut the joints of Woods, but please proceed with caution.
- 11. All seams should be taped using only low adhesive tape (safe release tape), such as 3M Blue tape. This is to keep the seam surface clean when overlapping and/or butting materials.
- 12. Use soft bristle brush or rubber roller to carefully apply wallcovering to wall. Do not use a metal knife or stiff sweep. Avoid overworking seams to prevent damage to edges.
- 13. Our Woods can be wrapped around a corner. Materials will soften once adhesive is applied to back of paper.
 When wrapping an external corner, be sure to wrap corner by at least 6".