Wallpaper removal instructions

Our wallpapers come in three different application types: traditional, pre-pasted, and peel and stick. Please find your material below and read the instructions carefully before removing your paper.

Traditional wallpaper

STEP 1

Prep the room

Place drop cloths at the base of the walls to be stripped. Remove all switch plates and outlet covers from the walls. Cut the power to the room. Pull away any wallpaper that is loose at the seams or edges—even if only the top layer comes off, it will make the subsequent steps easier.

STEP 2

Score the wallpaper

Use a wallpaper scorer to create small holes in the paper, which allows the solution to penetrate through to the adhesive base. Be careful not to use too much pressure when scoring, so as not to damage the wall beneath.

STEP 3

Soak the walls

Use a spray bottle of wallpaper remover to completely saturate a section of the wallpaper. Spray only as much of the wall as you can comfortably strip in a 15-minute period. Allow the solution to soak the paper for a few minutes before beginning.

STEP 4

Strip the wallpaper

Grab a piece of wallpaper at the bottom corner and carefully pull up and away from the wall. Use a wide putty knife to facilitate the removal of the paper. Occasionally, only the top layer of the paper will come off; if this happens, simply re-spray the lower layer, let it soak, and remove. Repeat the above steps until all the wallpaper is removed.

STEP 5

Clean the walls

In a bucket, mix a tablespoon of dish detergent with very hot water. Use a sponge to wipe down the walls, scrubbing carefully to remove all traces of wallpaper adhesive. Finally, rinse the walls with clean water and towel dry.

Pre-pasted wallpaper

STEP 1

Prep the room

Place a drop cloth or towel along the base of the wall to protect your floor from any water runoff.

STEP 2

Saturate the wallpaper

Using a spray bottle filled with clean water, lightly spray the entire surface of the paper with a fine mist, moving from the top to the bottom of the strip. You can also moisten the surface of the paper with a wet sponge.

STEP 3

Let the paper relax

Allow the water to soak into the paper for about 1-2 minutes.

STEP 4

Strip the wallpaper

Loosen the top corners and then slowly, but firmly, pull the entire strip downward—not outward—from ceiling to floor. Use more water as needed.

STEP 5

Clean the walls

Use a damp sponge or towel to wipe off any remaining paste residue.

Peel and stick wallpaper

To remove or reposition our peel and stick wallpapers, start at the top corners of a panel, and pull firmly, evenly, and slowly downward, working parallel to the surface. Be careful not to over-stretch the material. Do not allow the adhesive surfaces to make contact with each other as they are very difficult to separate without damaging.