

## INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

### WALLCOVERINGS: GRIT

#### Important Notice About Materials

- Do not attempt to cut or install this material until you have read the instructions below in full.
- All rolls must have the same production dye lot number. Hang in sequence as cut from roll starting with the highest first.
- Vinyl in certain environments has a tendency to panel. Seaming and shading due to lighting and other environmental attributes is considered normal.

#### Prior to Installation

- Examine each roll to be sure the product is what was ordered. Each roll should be rolled out so colour and shading can be examined to your satisfaction.
- Product claims will not be considered on cut or installed material after (3) three panels have been hung.
- If working around switch plates, please turn off electricity.


#### Wall Preparation

1. Proper surface preparation is key. It is recommended to hang product on new plasterboard.
2. If new plasterboard is not available, strip wall of any existing wallcoverings, and remove any loose or flaking paint. Fill any cracks with packing compound and sand any bumps for mirror smooth finish to prevent imperfections from telegraphing through material.
3. Clean wall and remove any dirt, grease, or soap. Materials will not adhere if not properly cleaned.
4. Monitor wall moisture levels. A wall that is not properly prepared or that has too much moisture content may not be conducive to proper adhesion.
5. Apply an acrylic or latex primer / sizer that is made specifically for wallcoverings.

#### Important Notes for Application

- We recommend a mould-inhibiting, heavy duty pre-mixed, non-strippable clay 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 varies with backing and climate. Take into consideration the humidity and temperature of your workspace when hanging all materials. Booking times generally vary between 8-15 minutes depending on the material and installation climate.
- Carefully inspect the installation after applying three strips before proceeding. If, at any time during the installation, a discrepancy occurs, stop. Contact the designer or Instyle before proceeding.

#### Hanging and Trimming of Materials

- GRIT is untrimmed and intended to be table trimmed and butted on the wall. Please use a new blade and straight edge on each cut.
- GRIT is recommended to be reverse hung  and may be trimmed on the wall using an overlap and double cut method. If panelling occurs, you may alternate drops to reassess panelling to your liking.
- Hang in sequence as cut from the roll. Paste and hang one strip at a time.
- If trimming seams on the wall, take care not to score the wall or seam separation may occur.
- 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. Use a clean sponge and clean water to remove excess glue from seams.
- Use a standard vinyl smoother to remove air pockets from the face of material.
- Vinyl can be wrapped around a corner. Materials will soften once adhesive is applied. When wrapping an external corner be sure to wrap corner by at least 15cm.

## CARE AND MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS

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#### Cleaning

- General maintenance can be achieved with periodic dusting or vacuuming of wallcovering. We recommend when vacuuming that you only use a soft brush attachment to avoid damaging the material.

#### Marks and Stains

- When cleaning marks and stains, we recommend you test on a sample or inconspicuous portion of the wallcovering before proceeding to be sure that there will not be an adverse effect on colour or gloss.
- Remove ordinary dirt and smudges with a mild soap and warm water solution. Avoid all solvent based cleaners.
- Only use soft or natural sponges, an abrasive sponge can damage wallcovering.
- Avoid soaking wallcovering as this may damage material. It is recommended you ring out your sponge prior to cleaning.
- More care should be taken in cleaning dark colours due to the possibility of causing 'light marks'.
- Always use a blotting action rather than a rubbing or scrubbing motion to avoid abrasion.
- Very lightly rinse material with clean water and sponge after cleaning.
- Dry immediately with soft, lint-free cloth or towel.

#### Stubborn Marks and Stains (ink, tar, gum, blood, crayon, glue, etc)

All stains should be attempted to be removed as above with soap and water first. Isopropyl alcohol (rubbing alcohol) may set some stains that soap and water may remove. If stain or mark persists we recommend you spray with a solution of isopropyl alcohol (rubbing alcohol). Then wipe away in a circular motion using soap and water with a sponge

For glue stains during installation, Coca-Cola or Sprite are the recommended cleaning solution. Black coffee can also remove dried glue stains.