

## Handcrafted

## **Installation & Maintenance Instructions**

These wallcoverings are handcrafted designs. Though extreme care is taken during manufacturing, minor variations in shade and texture are to be expected. Final inspections are the responsibility of the installer. THE INSTALLER SHOULD STEP BACK AND EXAMINE THE WALLCOVERING AFTER EVERY FEW STRIPS TO ENSURE THE DESIRED EFFECT IS ACHIEVED.

**Check Before Cutting:** 

Before cutting any material, verify that the pattern, quantity and color are as ordered. Be sure that there is sufficient material to complete the job. Inspect for any damage that may have resulted from transit or shipping or obvious defects before proceeding to install.

Check each roll for uniform appearance. Should you have any questions, contact your MDC representative or customer care at 800-621-4006 before proceeding. Despite careful inspection of this wallcovering prior to shipping, you may notice subtle variations in texture and color. Such characteristics are to be expected in handmade materials. Remember, NO RETURNS will be accepted after the material is cut.

**Wall Preparation:** 

Previous wallcovering must be removed. Walls must be structurally sound, smooth, dry, dust free and clean. Wall surfaces shall be free from all contaminants or imperfections that could show through the finished covered surface. Prime your surface with a high quality acrylic wallcovering primer.

**Cutting:** 

Handcrafted wallcoverings are shipped untrimmed. Take care to accurately table trim the selvage edges of each sheet, usually by trimming approximately 1/8" outside of the raised texture edge. Be sure new edges are straight and parallel before installation. Make only one cut per blade. Each shipment contains bolts marked with consecutive numbers. This is the order in which the product was manufactured and should be followed in installation.

Adhesive:

You MUST use a high wet tack heavy-duty clear strippable adhesive, such as Roman 838 or Dynamite 234. Do not dilute. Using another type of adhesive will be solely at the risk of the installer. Using a ½" nap roller, apply an even coat of adhesive to the back of the wallcovering. The pasted material should be allowed to book for a suitable time (approx. 12-20 minutes) prior to installation. Be careful to not allow adhesive to rest the face of the goods at any time. Handcrafted wallcoverings are neither strippable nor peelable for removal.

Test Hanging:

Test hang three strips/panels. Carefully review materials and application. If satisfactory, seek end user approval and continue the installation. If not, stop and contact your MDC representative or customer care at 800-621-4006.

MDC assumes no responsibility for the installation of material beyond three strips/panels. Under no circumstances will MDC be responsible for labor. This is an industry standard.



**Installation:** 

Handcrafted wallcoverings should always be installed by experienced craftspeople and installers in strict accordance with these instructions.

Material must be dry table trimmed. **Do not double cut on the wall.** Apply material to wall using a soft smoothing brush or plastic smoother. Examine smoothing device often, as an accumulation of paste on tools may mark or scratch the material. Completely clean adhesive off the surface after each strip is hung. Wash seams with a damp sponge and clean warm water. Change rinse water often. Any adhesive residue left on the surface can cause flaking and damage the face of the material. Dry carefully with a soft cloth, towel or chamois.

Care & Maintenance:

Most stains can be removed when immediately wiped off with a clean sponge or rag (slightly damp). Use a mild soap or detergent to clean the wallcovering. Do not soak. Avoid excess rubbing or pressure so as to not damage the finish. Do not use solvents or household cleaners at any time.

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