

WALLPAPER GUIDE

On purchasing and installing wallpaper

- We carry a range of paste the wall, paste the paper, and prepasted wallpaper products with different properties and instructions – please refer to the back of the roll label for full hanging instructions
- Any high quality wallpaper paste/adhesive can be used to hang these products
- Check the batch number on all rolls to ensure that the colors will match exactly when installed
- Vinyl wallpapers are ideal for kitchens and bathrooms because they are more moisture-resistant and splash-proof than other wallpapers
- Paintables can be left white or painted to match your décor

How to calculate the number of rolls required

1. Measure walls (including doors and windows): height x width to get the square footage.
2. Subtract 21 square feet for each door, 15 square feet for each window.
3. Find the pattern repeat on the wallpaper label. Solids and stripes will not list a repeat, so use 0 as the repeat.
4. Determine the usable yield per roll of wallpaper by consulting the chart below.

Repeat size	Usable yield/roll
0 to 6 inches	50 square feet
7 to 12 inches	44 square feet
13 to 18 inches	40 square feet
19 to 23 inches	36 square feet

5. Divide the room square footage by the usable yield to determine the number of rolls needed for the project.

Alternatively, refer to the chart below to determine how many rolls are required for the project.

WALLS Height from skirting	Distance around room in feet (doors and windows included)			
	30'	50'	70'	90'
7'	4	7	10	12
8'	5	8	11	14
9'	6	9	12	16
10'	6	10	13	17

WALLPAPER GLOSSARY

Match types



No match: The design has no match, so there will be no visible join or therefore seams. This also means there is less waste.



Straight match: The left and right edge of the wallpaper match in a straight horizontal line with the left and right edge of the next strip of paper.



Offset match: The right hand edge of the first strip only matches with the left hand strip of the next strip, when the second wallpaper is dropped by a specified distance. Eg. If a label states a 64/32cm offset match, the design repeats every 64cm and the point at which they match from left to right is every 32cm.

Application methods



Paste the wall: Unpasted wallpaper that does not expand when wet. To install, paste is applied to the wall. The wallpaper is then hung dry from the roll.



Prepasted: Wallpaper with a backing paper that has been treated with an adhesive and is activated by water.



Paste the paper: Unpasted wallpaper that is installed by applying paste to the paper. The wallpaper is then applied to the wall.

Washability



Spongeable: The wallcovering can only withstand light, almost dry, cleaning.



Washable: The wallpaper can be cleaned with a damp cloth and soapy water.



Scrubbable: The wallpaper can be washed or scrubbed with a brush and cleaning solution.

Removability



Peelable: The surface of the wallcovering can be stripped from the wall leaving the backing paper stuck to the wall. The backing paper can be removed by soaking with water and scraping.



Strippable: The wallcovering can be stripped totally from the wall without the use of water.