



# Brava™

## Brava™ Wallcovering Materials Installation Instructions

### WALL PREPARATION:

The wall must be clean, dry, smooth, and free of dust and moisture. The wall should be a solid uniform light color for best results.

**NEW CONSTRUCTION:** Wipe down walls to ensure that there is no dust and apply a precoat primer. (As recommended by the manufacturer)

**EXISTING CONSTRUCTION:** Thoroughly clean the surface of walls to remove all dirt, grease, and imperfections in the wall to ensure it is a smooth surface.

- Remove old wallpaper and loose paint before washing the walls with water and degreaser.
- Fill in cracks and holes with a filler. Smooth out rough spots on the surface of the wall. (If plaster walls use a plaster-based filler).
- The wall must not be exposed to moisture. Prime absorbent walls with a solvent-free primer and apply an underlay for walls that are too absorbent.
- Only apply wallcovering to completely dry walls, otherwise, discoloration may occur, and adhesion will not be optimal.

### PASTE:

It is recommended to use paste for nonwoven wallcoverings, such as Metyl Special for Europe and Romans Pro 838 for the US, with the addition of 20% dispersion adhesive

### PRODUCT INSTALLATION:

All cuts are to be done with a sharp, new blade every time.

1. Always check the product for faults before hanging and check for faults as the strips are being hung. If any faults are visible, stop the work and contact the manufacturer.
2. Cut strips to the desired length, roll the printed side inwards.
3. It is recommended to use an adhesive for a nonwoven, that the average quantity of +/-200 g/m<sup>2</sup> or +/-5.90 oz/yd<sup>2</sup>. (Follow instructions from the paste manufacturer).
4. Apply the paste to the entire back of the paper evenly with a medium roller until the paste creates a consistent “orange peel” texture.
5. Loosely fold the paper over, so that the pasted sides touch each other, and leave for one minute. This process, called “Booking”, allows Brava™ to properly absorb the paste.
6. Unfold the strips and position them on the wall next to each other without overlapping and press the strips down with a brush.
7. To expel any air bubbles, press down on the nonwoven with a plastic trowel or paperhanging brush.
8. Using a sharp box cutter and a wallpaper trimmer, cut the surplus material from the top and bottom.
9. Directly remove excess paste or any stains by dapping with a damp clean cloth or sponge. (Only water no chemicals). Repeat after hanging each strip. Then wipe with a dry cloth.
10. Always finish hanging wallcovering on one wall before starting the next.
11. Only hang rolls with the same batch number next to each other. Always avoid creases when hanging the material.
12. Use a seam roller to press down the seams of the wallcovering. Be sure to keep the roller clean.

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