

DIGITALLY PRINTED WALLCOVERINGS

General Preparation & Installation Guide

General Preparation

- 1 Remove all old backing paper from wall surface.
- 2 Ensure hanging surface is smooth, clean, dry in depth, of a uniform colour and in a sound condition.
- 3 Surface should be free from contaminants such as dirt, dust, grease, mildew, ink stains etc - any of these can prevent adhesion taking place. Wash with detergent solution, rinse and allow to dry.
- 4 Fill cracks and holes with a proprietary filler in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
- 5 Treat any areas showing mould growth.
- 6 Ensure floors are swept clean to avoid dirt gathering at skirting level.
- 7 Ensure that you are installing under adequate lighting conditions.
- 8 Site temperature should not be below 12°C (55°F). Avoid excessive heat until adhesive is fully dried.

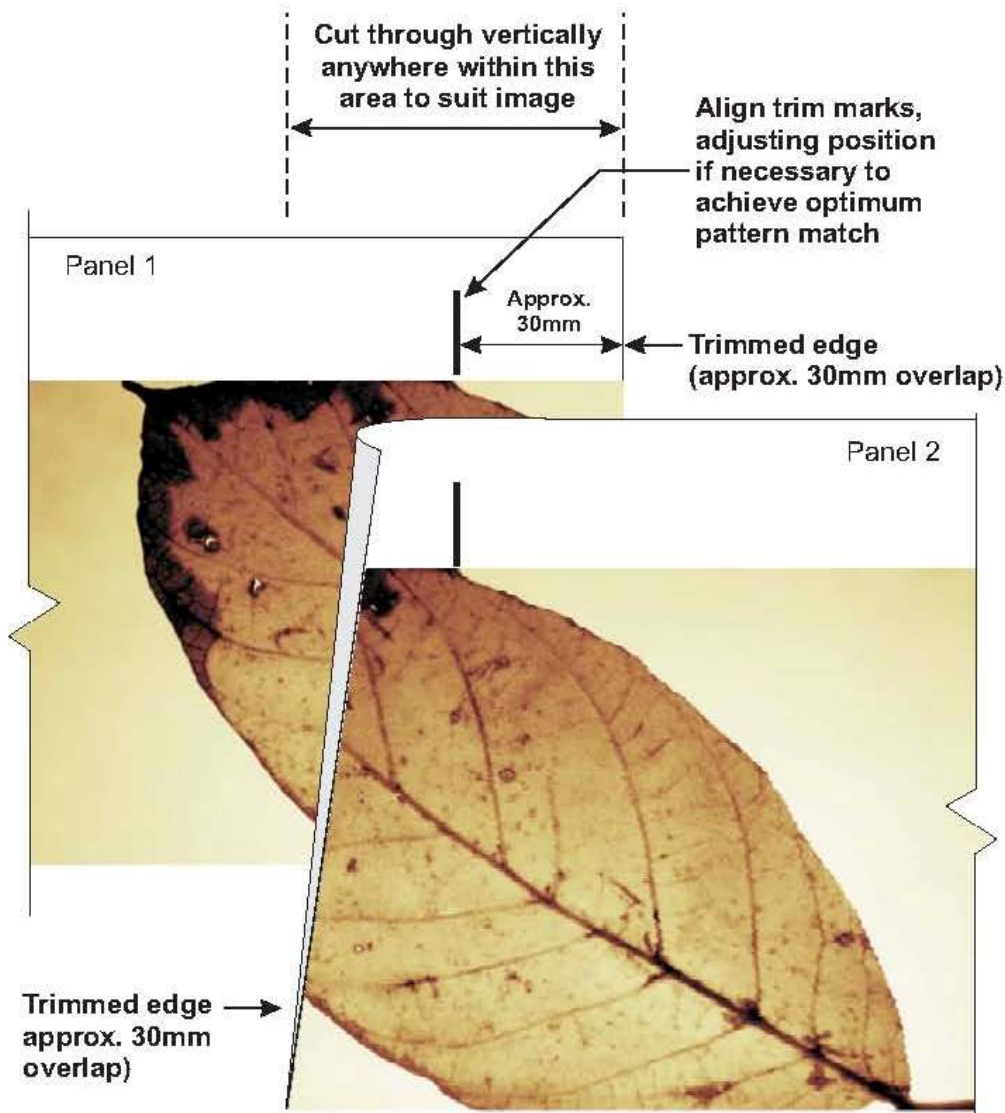
Surfaces

- **Plasterboard:** File all nail heads, screws, etc. Coat with light coloured oil-based metal primer. All holes should be filled and smoothed. Prime surface with Tekfix Primer and allow to dry before hanging, or for fabric-backed vinyls only, utilise Tekfix Strippable adhesive directly onto the unprimed plasterboard.
- **Porous surface (plaster, cement render, etc):** Ensure old plaster is stable and free of mould. Ensure new plaster dry in depth. Seal with Tekfix Primer.
- **Non-porous surface (glass, gloss paint, etc):** Abrade surface to provide a key. Wash and dry thoroughly. Use Tekfix VOV adhesive.
- **Emulsion paint:** Abrade surface to provide a good key. Wash and dry thoroughly. Apply one coat of Tekfix Primer.
- **Existing vinyl:** Ensure substrate is completely sealed (ie no blown joints, shrinkage etc). Remove all grease, dirt, dust etc - a brush will help in loosening dirt from the crevices of the emboss. Rinse and allow to dry. Hang wallcoverings using Tekfix VOV adhesive.

General Hanging

- 1 Identify each roll in the image set, and arrange in hanging order. Lay out subsequent drops to and check image match prior to installation.
- 2 **If you notice any inconsistencies, call Tektura on 020 7536 3300 immediately- do not install. Tektura cannot accept claims once material has been installed.**
- 3 **PAPER BACKED VINYLs** : damp paper backing and allow to soak for 10 minutes. Apply adhesive to wall surface.
- 4 **FABRIC BACKED VINYLs** : Apply adhesive to wall surface.
- 5 Hang lengths, carefully smoothing wallcovering onto wall surface using a spatula. Note that allowance will have been made for trimming top and bottom to compensate for uneven walls.
- 6 **IMPORTANT** – there is natural stretch in **fabric-backed** material which requires care in handling to ensure good fit. **DO NOT** pull or stretch the material during installation – work from the top and allow the wallcovering to fall naturally, smoothing gently with a spatula, whilst taking particular care to avoid scuffing or scratching the printed surface.
- 7 Check carefully for correct fit in critical image areas (eye level and focal points) before top and bottom trimming, and reposition if necessary. Please note, imperfections in the underlying surface may result in some pattern mismatch

- 8 Overlap lengths using the crop marks at top and bottom as a guide, and visually match the image. Adjust position if necessary to achieve optimum pattern match.
- 9 Double cut through using a sharp blade as illustrated.
- 10 Cut perpendicular to wall surface to ensure a clean join. Use a seam roller to ensure product is well bonded at the join.
- 11 Remove any adhesive seepage immediately with warm water



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