## **Application Instructions**

# CLEAR ERASE

## makes smooth surfaces dry wipe

ClearErase is a dry erase clear coat that can be seamlessly applied to interior spaces as easily as traditional paint. Turn any existing wall or smooth surface, in any colour, into a durable, cleanable dry wipe surface.

Waterbased and low VOC, ClearErase is perfect for any commercial interior. Simply mix, stir and roll on like traditional paint.

#### - NO SMELL

- WATERBASED / LOW VOC
- DRY WIPE SURFACE
- APPLIED LIKE TRADITIONAL PAINT
- DURABLE / CLEANABLE / LONG LASTING

## DATA

Open time	1 hour
Cure time	5 days
Application	Roller
Coverage	Small kit 3.7sq m (40sq ft)
C C	Large kit 8.36 sq m (85-90 sq ft)

## APPLICATION RECOMMENDATIONS

Opening, mixing and installing ClearErase should only be done in accordance with the application recommendations shown below.

## **REQUIRED TOOLS:**

- 6mm nap lint-free roller
- Painters tray
- ClearErase Part 1, Part 2
- 1" paint brush for cutting in
- Stirring stick

## **BEFORE YOU START**

ClearErase is a high-gloss clear coat, and it will highlight any imperfections, marks or unwanted variations in colour. Therefore take the necessary steps to ensure a smooth surface prior to application. The surface must be clean, dry, and free of marks, grease and mildew

## TEKTURA WALLCOVERINGS

## SURFACES / PREPARATION

Mask surrounding areas with low tack masking tape. ClearErase dries quickly so remove tape while the ClearErase finish is still wet. Any material found under the tape can be removed with a damp cloth.

### **EXISTING PAINT**

Follow instructions for surface preparation above. Old paint may show a slight yellowing once ClearErase is applied. If in doubt, it is better to repaint surface before using ClearErase.

### NEW PAINT

For best results we recommend using vinyl silk or eggshell paint. Emulsion can also be used on a primed wall surface. Sand the existing wall to remove any high points or imperfections and fill any holes or scratches. Apply the paint, ensuring the surface is as smooth as possible with very little stipple and check there are no lap marks or roller lines (these will be highlighted once ClearErase is applied). Allow to dry fully dry (4 hours + depending on conditions) before applying ClearErase

### Other surfaces

Clear Erase can be applied to smooth surfaces with low porosity such as vinyl wallcovering, laminate, wood, metal, cement, mdf and window film, creating a dry wipe surface once cured. Smooth surfaces offer the optimum dry wipe finish. A stippled or textured surface will 'trap' ink from dry-erase marker pens rendering it difficult to remove.

## MIXING CLEAR ERASE:

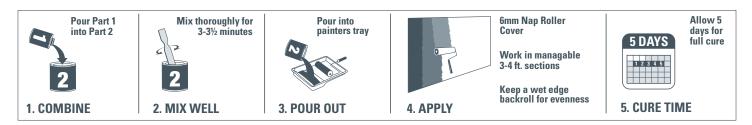
#### **IMPORTANT**

- Once tubs are open, ClearErase must be used within 1 hour.
- Do not combine multiple kits
- Do not reseal cans once opened.
- Do not reseal cans once mixed as contents will expand.

Stir the mixture while pouring Part 1 into Part 2. Mix steadily and thoroughly for 3 – 3.5 minutes. Do not shake. As Part 1 and 2 are incorporated, ClearErase will begin to thicken. Make sure to incorporate ClearErase from the sides of the can into the middle of the mixture. Allow the mixed ClearErase to 'sweat' for 5 minutes.

## APPLICATION

Pour the mixed ClearErase into a clean painters tray. If cutting in, maintain a wet edge, so that the Clear Erase is applied to adjacent areas before the liquid dries. Apply Clear Erase using a lint free 6mm nap roller. Roll vertically and always maintain a wet edge. Work in manageable 3 - 4 ft sections. Inspect the application from multiple angles to ensure the coverage is uniform, that there are no roller lines, and no pin-holes. The surface will be cured in 5 days.



For application assistance, call 020 7536 3300.

## TROUBLESHOOTING

#### INK SEPARATION

If ClearErase parts 1 and 2 are not mixed thoroughly, a film may be left on the cured ClearErase surface that will cause the inks in some dry erase markers to fade or separate when applied. Don't worry. This is perfectly normal and your new ClearErase surface will still function properly. Simply go on using the surface as you normally would. After writing on ClearErase a few times and wiping the surface clean with a soft cloth, this issue will resolve itself.

#### SHADOWING

Over time and through frequent use, residual marker build up may appear on your ClearErase surface. This can be easily removed with quality dry erase cleaning sprays or wipes.

#### PINHOLES IN THE SURFACE

Surface pinholes are usually caused by trying to stretch the coverage of ClearErase too far and applying the product too thin in areas. Less severe cases will still work properly but may trap dry erase marker residue and become difficult to clean. Severe cases would require sanding and recoating.

#### HAZY OR CLOUDY APPEARANCE

This is the result of applying ClearErase too thick or by using the wrong roller cover. The wall can have a cloudy / hazy appearance because the surface of the paint dried before all of the moisture could escape. This will not affect the performance and may go unnoticed with lighter colours. For darker colours there is no quick fix. The wall will have to be prepped and painted and ClearErase will need to be reapplied properly.

#### BUBBLES IN THE SURFACE

Surface bubbles occur from shaking ClearErase instead of stirring, or using a roller cover that is too thick or by over rolling the ClearErase. They will not always interfere with the dry erase capabilities but it can look bad. Fixing requires sanding the area smooth and repainting with ClearErase.

#### STAINING

A properly installed ClearErase surface is highly resistant to staining. If your ClearErase surface has stains that cannot be removed with dry erase cleaner, it is generally due to one of the following reasons:

1) Wrong types of markers were used Permanent ink, highlighters, ballpoint pen and other non-dry erase markers can stain the surface. Many of these marks can be removed by covering the blemished area in dry erase marker and wiping the area clean.

2) The coverage rate was exceeded. Do not exceed the coverage rate shown on kit. If ClearErase is spread too thin the surface could be prone to staining.

3) Wrong type of cleaner was used. Cleaning your ClearErase surface with regular household cleaners or abrasive cleaners can damage the surface and make it prone to staining. Use quality dry erase cleaner and a microfiber cloth to keep your ClearErase surface clean.

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