

Nikko

Grasscloth Installation Instructions

- Inspection:** Be sure all material has the same run number before installation. Final inspection should be made as to correct pattern, color, and any defects in craftsmanship. As this is a natural handmade product, these materials have a tendency to show color variation. These variations are natural and inherent qualities of the wallcovering.
- No claims, including labor, will be accepted beyond the installation of 3 strips. Application of material is interpreted as acceptance of material and conditions of installation. Small differences in shading between different run lots or subtle differences between sample and actual delivered material cannot be avoided. Should you have any questions, contact your MDC representative or customer service (800)621-4006 before proceeding.
- Surface Preparation:** Ensure surfaces are dry, firm, and uniformly colored. Do not hang over glossy or non-porous areas. Painted walls should be wiped down with Tri Sodium Phosphate to remove grease or soil. Glossy paint should be dulled by sandpaper. Never hang over new plaster or un-primed wall areas. Fill all cracks and prepare the surface with an acrylic basecoat.
- Application:**
1. Apply a pre-mixed, heavy-duty clear vinyl adhesive to the wall. Make sure the adhesive is spread out evenly over the whole surface to insure good adhesion to the wall. This will avoid open seams. Do not dilute the adhesive. Never allow the adhesive to get on the front of the material.
 2. Use strips in exact order as they are cut from the roll. Straight hang – do not reverse strips. Hang only 1-2 strips at a time.
 3. Cut material in consecutive bolt sequence, as marked on the end of each bolt. Pre-trim edges with a straight edge on a cutting table. Cuts should be made with a sharp razor blade. Do not attempt more than one cut per blade.
 4. Smooth material to hanging surface with a soft bristle to eliminate air bubbles and ensure adhesion.
 5. STOP AFTER APPLYING 3 STRIPS. If there are any excessive variations in color and/or color match, this should be immediately communicated to MDC for inspection before proceeding further with installation. Natural wallcoverings will tend to lightly panel on occasion. MDC assumes no responsibility for the installation of material beyond three panels. Under no circumstances will MDC be responsible for labor. This is an industry standard.
- Cleaning:** Dust can be removed with a vacuum cleaner or special textile sponge (used like an eraser).
- Special Note:** Nikko grasscloth wallcoverings have been manufactured to the highest quality standards possible. However, it should be noted that some items by their nature, require care in handling and installing so as to provide an acceptable wall finish.

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Metallic Foil Installation Instructions

Reflectivity is the nature of foil wallcovering and will be perceived differently from various points of view depending on influences such as lighting, wall angles, and surrounding objects. These variations are inherent in the product and are indeed part of its intrinsic beauty and should be considered neither flaws nor imperfections.

- Check Before Cutting:** Before cutting and hanging, check pattern name and number to match products ordered. NO CREDIT for labor charges will be allowed for cutting or hanging wrong colorways or patterns. Be sure that there is sufficient material to complete the job. Should you have any questions, contact MDC customer service at 800-621-4006 before proceeding. NO RETURNS will be accepted after the material is cut.
- Wall Preparation:** Previous wallcovering must be removed. Walls must be structurally sound, dry, sealed and clean prior to installation. A smooth surface is particularly important with foil, as imperfections in the wall may show.
- Trimming:** Foils are usually cut into strips and dry trimmed. Take care to trim accurately. Be sure edges are even before installation. Cut length, roll back towards master roll and mark in numerical sequence. This will mark the top of each panel and keep them in roll sequence.
- Adhesive:** You MUST use a quality grade of heavy-duty premixed clear vinyl adhesive, with a low water content. Do not dilute. Using another type of adhesive will be solely at the risk of the installer. Apply an even coat of adhesive to the wall, NEVER TO THE FOIL. Allow the adhesive to become tacky before applying wallcovering.
- Test Hanging:** Test hang three strips and carefully review materials and application. If satisfactory, continue the installation. If not, contact your MDC sales representative or customer service at 800-621-4006. MDC assumes no responsibility for the installation of material beyond three strips. Under no circumstances will MDC be responsible for labor.
- Installation:** With patterned designs, start match at eye level in the center of the wall. Always match repeat designs at trim join arrows.
Apply material to wall using a soft brush, plastic smoother, or drywall blade wrapped with a soft cloth to lay out the foil. When smoothing, work from the center out to the edges. To avoid trapping air bubbles, use an oval seam roller to butt seams. Wash smoothing brush and seam roller often, as an accumulation of paste on tools may mark or scratch the material.
It is extremely important to wash down the material immediately after hanging. If any residue is left on the surface it will appear visible to the eye after drying. Wash seams with a damp sponge and clean warm water. Change rinse water often. Dry carefully with a soft cloth or chamois. Later, after the seams are thoroughly set, wash once again with clean, warm water using a clean sponge.
- Caution:** Installed foil must avoid all contact with electrical sources. The aluminum film can conduct electricity. Carefully trim foil to avoid contact with any source of live electrical energy.

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