

# Application Instructions

Product: SR Wood Wallcovering Adhesive  
Substrate: Drywall

Note: Read the entire Application Instructions before beginning.

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## **Selecting Installers:**

It is recommended to use an installer who has experience in installing real wood wallcovering. If one is not available, it is recommended that the chosen installer produce a mock-up, completing the entire procedure with a small sample.

## **Controlling Locations:**

Installation areas should be environmentally controlled by a permanent functioning HVAC system, ideally maintaining a temperature range of 65°F-75°F, with relative humidity no more than 50% and not less than what is specified for your area in the AWI Quality Standards Section 1700-T-19, for a minimum of 4 days prior to removing the wallcovering from its packaging, maintained throughout installation, and for a minimum of 4 days following all installation steps.

Wood wallcovering is very susceptible to absorbing moisture from the atmosphere until it has been installed and sealed properly. Extended exposure to an uncontrolled environment at any time prior can result in dimensional change and warping.

All drywall to which wood wallcovering is to be applied is to be a Level 4 or Level 5 finish, free of dirt, dust, and defect, including voids and raises. A non-smooth surface will result in telegraphed imperfections and/or poor lamination.

Beginning of installation indicates acceptance of the drywall and jobsite conditions by the installer.

## **Preparing the walls:**

Use a moisture meter to test the moisture content of the drywall, ensuring that it does not exceed 10%. It is very important that the room's temperature and humidity remain constant until the product is adhered and cured properly. Prime all areas to be covered with one coat of SR Wood Wall Primer. Allow a minimum of 8 hours for drying before moving forward.

## **Applying adhesive on the wall:**

SR Wood Wallcovering Adhesive is designed for use on drywall. *If applying to another surface, contact your sales representative immediately.* Double coverage is approximately 125 square feet per gallon.

SR Wood Wallcovering Adhesive should have uniform consistency similar to a heavy cream. If necessary, the consistency can be reached by placing the adhesive container in a hot or cold bath.

A thermometer reading of approximately 75° will indicate the desired consistency. Lightly stir the adhesive before applying, but avoid extreme agitation.

Do not thin SR Wood Wallcovering Adhesive. Apply it as it comes from the container.

Using a short napped roller, apply a smooth medium coat of adhesive to the entire wall first. Make sure to maintain a uniform, even, and complete coverage. If a spot is not covered with adhesive, the wallcovering will not adhere properly.

Allow 12-24 hours for the adhesive on the wall to dry completely. Continue once the adhesive has tack, but is no longer moist.

**Applying adhesive on wood wallcovering:**

Dust the backside of the wood wallcovering to assure that it is clean. Apply a thin, flat and even coat of adhesive with a short napped roller to the back of the wallcovering, across the entire surface of the veneer sheet, paying special attention to the edges of each sheet. Avoid inconsistent coverage as well as over-saturating the sheet. Pre-paste only one sheet at a time. The adhesive will begin drying immediately, so move the sheet to the wall with pace. This product is not designed to “book” with adhesive, nor is it needed. The sheet should be applied immediately to the wall.

Re-read the Wood Wallcovering Installation Instructions at this stage and closely follow the steps as detailed to install the wood wallcovering.

**Questions?**

If you have any questions regarding this application, contact your distributor. Visit [www.forestreewood.com](http://www.forestreewood.com) for additional product information.