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MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS FOR WALL PROTECTION

As with any quality product, proper care and maintenance will extend the useful life of your wallcovering and help maintain its original beauty and finish.

The following general cleaning instructions will serve as a guide to normal cleaning maintenance:

- The wallcovering should be washed regularly enough to prevent dirt and grime from accumulating, and to maintain the original beauty.. Depending on traffic (light, medium, heavy), the wallcovering surface should be washed from once to two or three times a year.
- Stains should be removed as quickly as possible to eliminate any possible reaction between the staining agent and the wallcovering. Time is especially important for removing materials containing colors or solvents such as ballpoint ink, shampoo, tints and some foodstuffs. If soilants remain on the wallcovering too long, permanent discoloration may develop.
- It should be noted that wallcoverings should not be sprayed with wax or other protective coatings. Such applications would only tend to discolor the material, and, in any case, would offer little protection.
- Ordinary dirt and smudges can be removed with mild soap such as Ivory liquid hand dishwashing detergent and warm water. If necessary, a bristle brush can be used to remove dirt from the crevices of deeply textured patterns. Clean from bottom, upward. Using a sponge, rinse thoroughly with clean water, from the top, down. Deeply embossed wallcoverings need extra attention to prevent suds or loosened dirt from lodging in depressed surfaces. Dry wallcovering with a soft, lint-free cloth or towel.
- Wallcovering products which include a high luster metallic finish should **ONLY** be cleaned with a mild cleansing agent such as soap, detergent and water. The use of more aggressive cleansing agents such as acidic or alkaline cleaners commonly used in institutional settings may cause damage to the decorative finish. In any case where a cleaning agent is applied the surface should be rinsed with clean water to complete the cleaning process in order to ensure there are no residual chemicals left on the surface.
- We recommend all cleaners first be tested in an inconspicuous area to insure compatibility with the wallcovering.
- Not recommended for cleaning are isopropyl alcohol, powdered abrasive cleaners, or steel wool, as they may mar the surface, causing an unsightly appearance. DO NOT use active solvent type cleaning preparations such as nail polish remover, tar and bug remover, etc., as they will remove print and/or finish from the wallcovering.

With proper care and attention, Versa Designed Surfaces wallcoverings will remain beautiful and serviceable for years.

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The following chemicals have been tested and approved for use on Type I and Type II wallcovering products:

- Bleach 1 to water 100 minimum ratio
- Bleach 1 to water 10 maximum ratio
- Alcohol solution 60-70%
- Hydrogen peroxide 4.5%
- Spartan DMQ
- Virex II 256
- SR-22 Concentrate
- Sani Cloth wipes

Other disinfectants of similar chemistries may also work but must first be tested on the wallcovering in an inconspicuous area of the room to ensure compatibility. High luster and metallic finishes must also be checked as they may be subject to discoloration. Please contact Versa Designed Surfaces for additional guidance.

Also see the EPA website below for a full list of manufacturers who provide other high performing disinfecting products: https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-registration/list-n-disinfectants-use-against-sars-cov-2

Preparation:

Calculate the total surface area of the walls to be disinfected. Approximately 100–150 square feet of surface area can typically be covered by one gallon of diluted disinfectant at the appropriate dilution.

Wear appropriate PPE when opening and mixing disinfectants. At minimum, wear gloves and eye protection and cover exposed skin.

Ensure that the chemical disinfectant has been stored properly and is within the maximum shelf life before mixing. Check the product label for the expiration date.

For concentrates ensure that the correct proportion of disinfectant concentrate is added to the correct volume of water. Mix the required amount of disinfectant solution in accordance with label instructions. Always add concentrate to water, not water to concentrate.

Once a solution has been prepared, it is best to be used on the same day or it may become inactive.

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Disinfection Procedure:

In some cases, the walls might need to be cleaned with a mild soap (Ivory® liquid) before you disinfect them fully.

Apply disinfectant on the walls from top to bottom and from back to front. The time a disinfectant is in contact with the surface is important and varies with the type of disinfectant. Carefully follow the specific instructions on the label. Reapplication of disinfectant may be necessary to achieve the product label-indicated contact time.

Ensure that the disinfectant has had adequate contact time as specified on the disinfectant label. Note that the recommended contact time will vary by the type of surface being treated, and reapplication may be necessary to achieve the product label-indicated contact time. Typical contact times are 3-10 minutes (see label instructions).

Completely rinse the disinfected area with water. Allow surfaces to thoroughly air dry before utilizing the area.

Ensure that any unused disinfectant concentrate and solution are either stored in accordance with the label instructions and the site-specific health and safety plan or properly disposed. Any small amount of unused waste disinfectant concentrate should be disposed of according to the label instructions.