

**SECTION 09 72 16**  
**VINYL-COATED FABRIC WALL COVERINGS**

**PART 1 - GENERAL**

**1.1 DESCRIPTION**

Section specifies vinyl coated fabric wallcovering and installation.

**1.2 RELATED WORK**

- A. Color, pattern, type, and areas to receive wallcovering: Section 09 06 00, SCHEDULE FOR FINISHES.

**1.3 SUBMITTALS**

- A. Submit in accordance with Section 01 33 23, SHOP DRAWINGS, PRODUCT DATA, AND SAMPLES.
- B. Samples:
1. Each type and pattern as specified in Section 09 06 00, SCHEDULE FOR FINISHES.
  2. Size: Full width of mill run.
- C. Manufacturer's Certificates:
1. Compliance with CFFA W-101D.
  2. Wallcovering manufacturer's approval of adhesive.
- D. Manufacturer's Literature and Data:
1. Primer and adhesive.
  2. Installation instructions.
  3. Maintenance instructions, including recommended materials and methods for maintaining wallcovering with precautions in use of cleaning material.

**1.4 QUALITY ASSURANCE**

- A. Finish one complete space with each type (color and pattern) of wallcovering showing specified colors and patterns.
- B. Use approved sample spaces as a standard for work throughout the project.

**1.5 DELIVERY, STORAGE AND HANDLING**

- A. Deliver in original unopened containers bearing the manufacturer's name, brand name, and product designation.
- B. Store in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.
- C. Handle to prevent damage to material.

## **1.6 APPLICABLE PUBLICATIONS**

- A. Publications listed below form a part of this specification to the extent referenced. Publications are referenced in the text by the basic designation only.
- B. Chemical Fabrics and Film Association, Inc., (CFFA):  
2575-96(R2011).....Vinyl Coated Fabric Wallcovering
- C. American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM)  
G21-09.....Determining Resistance of Synthetic Polymeric  
Materials to Fungi

## **PART 2 - PRODUCTS**

### **2.1 VINYL COATED FABRIC WALLCOVERING**

- A. Comply with CFFA-2575.
- B. Fungi Resistance: ASTM G21, rating of 0.
- C. Factory-applied clear delustered polyvinyl-fluoride (PVF) coating:
  - 1. Minimum 0.0125 mm (1/2 mil) thickness.
  - 2. Do not include PVF coating weight in minimum total weight.
  - 3. Fire hazard classification with PVF coating: Class A unless specified otherwise.
- D. Type II (Medium Duty) minimum.

### **2.2 ADHESIVE**

- A. Use only water-based adhesive having volatile organic compounds not more than 50 g/l.
- B. Vermin and mildew resistant.

## **PART 3 - EXECUTION**

### **3.1 JOB CONDITIONS**

- A. Temperatures:
  - 1. Do not perform work until surfaces and materials have been maintained at minimum of 60 °F. for three days before work begins.
  - 2. Maintain minimum temperatures of 60 °F. until adhesives are dried or cured.
- B. Lighting:
  - 1. Do not proceed unless a minimum lighting level of 15 candlepower per square foot occurs.
  - 2. Measure light level at mid-height of wall.
- C. Ventilation:
  - 1. Provide uniform continuous ventilation in space.
  - 2. Ventilate for a time for not less than complete drying or curing of adhesive.

- D. Protect other surfaces from damage which may be caused by this work.
- E. Remove waste from building daily.

### **3.2 SURFACE CONDITION**

- A. Inspect surfaces to receive wallcoverings to assure that:
  - 1. Patches and repairs are completed.
  - 2. Surfaces are clean, smooth and prime painted.
- B. Do not proceed until discovered defects have been corrected by other trades and surfaces are ready to receive wallcovering.
- C. Carefully remove electrical outlet and switch plates, mechanical diffusers, escutcheons, registers, surface hardware, fittings and fastenings, prior to starting work.
- D. Carefully store items for reinstallation.

### **3.3 APPLICATION OF ADHESIVE**

- A. Mix and apply adhesives in accordance with manufacturer's directions.
- B. Prevent adhesive from getting on face of wallcovering.
- C. Apply adhesive to wallcovering back.

### **3.4 WALLCOVERING INSTALLATION**

- A. Use wallcovering of same batch or run in an area. Use fabric rolls in consecutive numerical sequence of manufacture.
- B. Install material completely adhered, smooth, clean, without wrinkles, air pockets, gaps or overlaps.
- C. Extend wallcovering continuous behind non-built-in casework and other items which are close to but not bolted to or touching the walls.
- D. Install wallcovering before installation of resilient base. Extend wallcovering not more than 6 mm (1/4 inch) below top of resilient base.
- E. Install panels consecutively in order in which they are cut from the roll including filling spaces above or below windows, doors, or similar penetrations.
- F. Do not install horizontal seams.
- G. Except on match patterns, hang fabric by reversing alternate strips, except as recommended by the manufacturer.
- H. Cutting:
  - 1. Cut on a work table with a straight edge.
  - 2. Joints or seams that are not cut clean are unacceptable.
  - 3. Trim additional selvage to achieve a color and pattern match at seams. Overlapped seams are not allowed.
  - 4. Do not double cut seams on wall unless specified.
  - 5. If double cutting on the wall is necessary, place a three inch strip of Type I wallcovering under pasted edge.

- a. Do not cut into wall surface.
  - b. After cutting, remove strip and excess adhesive from seam before proceeding to next seam.
  - c. Smooth down seam in adhesive for tight bond and joint.
- I. Trim strip-matched patterns, which are not factory pre-trimmed.
- J. Inside Corners:
- 1. Wrap wallcovering around corner.
  - 2. Do not seam within 50 mm (2 inches) of inside corners.
  - 3. Double cut seam.
- K. Outside Corners:
- 1. Wrap wallcovering around corner.
  - 2. Do not seam within 150 mm (6 inches) of outside corners.
  - 3. Double cut seam.

### **3.5 PATCHING**

- A. Replace surface damaged wallcovering in a space as specified for new work:
- 1. Replace full height of surface.
  - 2. Replace from break in plane to break in plane when same batch or run is not used. Double cut seams.
  - 3. Adjoining differential colors from separate batches or runs are not acceptable.
- B. Correct loose or raised seams with adhesives to lay flat with tight bonded joint as specified for new work.

### **3.5 CLEANING AND INSTALLING TEMPORARY REMOVED ITEMS**

- A. Remove adhesive from wallcovering as work proceeds.
- B. Remove adhesives where spilled, splashed or splattered on wallcoverings or adjacent surfaces in a manner not to damage surface from which it is removed.
- C. Reinstall previously removed electrical outlet and switch plates, mechanical diffusers, escutcheons, registers, surface hardware, fittings and fastenings.

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