

kwikSTIK[®] Paper Faced Metal Drywall Beads and Trims

Installation Recommendations

Tape-On Paper Faced Beads & Trims Installation

1. Select or cut kwikSTIK[®] bead or trim to appropriate length. Vertical wall beads should be 3/8" to 1/2" shorter than the wall to provide adequate floor clearance. Intersecting corners may be cut square to fit over purchased corner caps or base transitions.
2. Apply all purpose joint compound by one of the following methods. Lightweight topping-only compounds are not recommended for the first layer. All purpose and vinyl-based compounds produce the strongest corners.
 - a) With a narrow taping knife, apply an approximately 1/8" thick layer of joint compound to the drywall corner, extending approximately 2" wide from the corner;
or
 - b) For fast and economical installation, use a commercially available tape-on hopper applicator. Set up hopper applicator per manufacturer's instructions for the particular bead or trim style(s) to be installed. Fill hopper with all purpose joint compound. Run the kwikSTIK[®] bead or trim through the hopper applicator to apply an even distribution of joint compound to the wall side of the kwikSTIK[®] bead or trim;
or
 - c) With a commercially available mechanical applicator, apply an even distribution of all purpose joint compound to the wall corner. Follow applicator manufacturer's instructions.
3. Press the kwikSTIK[®] bead or trim to the corner and into the joint compound layer. For best appearance slide the bead or trim close into the ceiling (or the most visible corner). Check to make sure the bead is properly centered on the corner (the straight edge of a taping knife can be used to gauge the bead distance from each wall line). Stroke along the paper leg(s) with a narrow taping knife held at about a 45° angle to embed and remove any air bubbles under the paper. A corner roller tool designed for this purpose may also be used to press the bead into the embedding layer. Some drywall installers prefer to apply pressure by hand, wearing waterproof gloves.
4. Remove excess joint compound. Let dry.
5. With a medium width taping knife, apply a second coat of joint compound on top of the kwikSTIK[®] paper faced legs. This coat should be carefully feathered 1" to 3" past the first layer. Again remove excess compound. Sand lightly as needed after drying.
6. With a wide taping or finishing knife apply a topping coat of joint compound, feathered 1" to 3" past the previous coat. When this coat has thoroughly dried, sand smooth and paint.

Nail-On Bead Installation

Phillips kwikSTIK[®] Nail-On Paper Faced Beads is used where mechanical fastening is desired. Install using staples, screws or nails. Finishing is then completed as described above for Tape-On Beads and Trims.

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