

HOW TO PROPERLY REMOVE WALLPAPER:

Removing wallpaper can be a tough project to undertake, but follow these simple steps and you'll achieve great results. Removing wallpaper (not vinyl or foil wall covering) by applying an even coat of a paper remover solution, like DIF, on the surface of the paper and allow the product to sit 10-20 minutes, it is recommended to apply a second coat.

After applying the second coat, use a wallpaper scraper to lift the paper from the walls surface, try to insert the scraper at the seams and work your way inward. Remove any glue residue from the wall with warm water. Use a wallpaper scoring tool (i.e. paper tiger) first before applying the paper remover solution if you are removing vinyl or foil wall coverings.

If needed, patch any drywall/plaster imperfections with drywall compound and sand to smooth finish before applying paint or new wall coverings.

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