

1. Prepare the surface

- a. Wash down chalky surfaces with sugar soap solution and then rinse with clean water.
- b. Flaky, crazed or peeling paint needs to be scraped or sanded before applying top coats.
- c. Fill cracks, nail holes, etc with Gap Filler and then spot prime when dry.
- d. If painting over timbers, a primer sealer coat may need to be applied to prevent tannin bleed.
- e. Do an 'adhesion' test first to ensure the paint has 'key grip' to the surface you are painting.
To establish whether there is oil-based paint on any surfaces, use a cloth with a small amount of methylated spirits and rub vigorously on the area. If the paint does **not** start to dissolve, it is oil-based enamel. A light sand together with a product such as "Krud Kutter Gloss Off" or "Zinsser Smart Prime" will allow the new paint to grip.

2. Pre-Painting

- a. Stir paint prior to application to ensure all pigments and ingredients disperse evenly.
- b. Wet down and shake out brush and roller sleeves with water before dipping into paint.
- c. Clear the area to be painted and make sure there is nothing in your way.
- d. Cover any exposed furniture or floors with a drop sheet.

3. Painting

- a. "Cut in" edges first with a brush and then roll the rest.
- b. Do one section of wall at a time so cut in edges stay wet and blend in with the rolled area.
- c. Start at the top and work your way down.
- d. Work consistently in one direction.
- e. Rolled areas need to be "laid off" (gently rolled in one direction – usually up the wall) while the paint is wet so that the sheen level remains consistent.
- f. Paint touch dry in 30min. Allow 2 hours between coats, longer in humid or cold/damp conditions.

4. Post Painting

- a. If you are leaving the job and want to continue sometime later load the brush or roller in paint and then wrap them individually in plastic to keep them from drying out. This saves washing.
- b. Always wipe excess paint from the rim of the pail and seal lid tightly. If the lid is not sealed correctly a skin will form on top of the paint and the paint may go off. Store out of direct sunlight in a cool place. If paint has been stored for a period of time do not shake. Always remove lid and stir paint. This will prevent any dry paint on the lid from mixing into the wet paint.
- c. On completion wash brushes and rollers out in warm soapy water and hang to dry before storing. Roller trays can be left and when paint skin is dry paint can be peeled off and disposed of easily.
- d. Wash out empty paint buckets and recycle.
- e. Dispose of waste responsibly.

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1. Correct surface preparation prior to application.
2. Correct application of product.
3. Clean application tools used.
4. Paint correctly sealed and stored in a cool dry place.
5. Batch number to be supplied for testing (label on bucket).