

## Wall Moulding Installation Instructions

(Three Panels High)

For a successful Luxe Architectural® installation, follow these simple instructions. Use the wall "worksheet" in your kit to note all dimensions and layout your design before proceeding. All existing surfaces must be prepared according to all manufacturers' specifications and requirements before installing Luxe Architectural® products. (i.e., paint, plaster, laminates, drywall, drywall compound, drywall tape, paneling, miscellaneous finishes, etc.) DIY mouldings should be lightly sanded and prepped before finishing.

For permanent, seamless application, caulk around all the edges with Latex Painters Caulk, such as "Alex Plus" All-Purpose 40-year caulk by DAP, which is available online and at home improvement stores for approximately \$2.0nce caulking has dried per manufacturer's specifications, paint the entire wall + moulding for a professional, high-end result! \*\*\*FOR BEST RESULTS, CAULK RIGHT AWAY UPON INSTALLATION\*\*\*

- 1. For existing paint and surfaces: Clean wall with rubbing alcohol or a glass cleaner type product and a lint-free cloth to remove dust/debris. Allow to dry completely. This step is extremely important for the adhesive to stick properly to the surface.
  - <u>For newly primed/painted surfaces</u>: Primer/paint must be allowed to cure completely for a minimum of 48 72 depending on ambient humidity levels. DO NOT clean or use rubbing alcohol or a glass cleaner type product on newly painted surfaces. The adhesive will bond well to fresh/fully cured paint.
- 2. Measure the exact width and height of your wall space, determine your vertical and horizontal spacing as described below, and record on the "wall worksheet." Typically, a symmetrical layout is used left to right; however, vertical spacing may vary though remaining symmetrical. Top to bottom / horizontal spacing is usually asymmetrical. The standard formula for determining vertical and horizontal spacing is as follows:

## Vertical:

Wall Width - Frames  $\div$  Number of Spaces = individual space (i.e., 13'6" wall width - 5 Frames {4 @ 24" or 8' and one @ 36" or 3' totaling 11'} = 30" or 2'6"  $\div$  6 Vertical Spaces = 5" each) The goal is a good fit, pleasing aesthetic and typically a symmetrical layout left to right.

## Horizontal:

Most of the same principles apply when determining the horizontal spacing. Wall Height - Frames ÷ Number of Spaces = Individual Horizontal Space. Again, you may vary the space sizes; however, asymmetry is common in the horizontal spacing. Just keep in mind that the bottom space (horizontal space 3), is typically larger than the top space (horizontal space 1). See "wall worksheet" for sample installation.

- 3. Use a pencil to mark the moulding positions from your "worksheet" on the wall. Mark the inside and outside edges of the moulding so they are easy to see while installing. You may also use "blue" painters tape, ensuring that the type used will not damage the surface. Before you begin installing the moulding, make sure that you have confirmed your layout and that you will not be distracted during the application process.
- 4. Working with one frame at a time, remove the protective backing from your first frame. It is recommended that you hold the frame with both hands, if possible, and at an angle approximately 45° from the wall so as to carefully apply one edge first. Carefully lower the moulding toward the wall (see "wall worksheet"). As the three remaining edges near the wall, look carefully at the moulding edges and your pencil marks, checking that everything is lining up. It may be necessary to guide the moulding slightly to align with your pencil marks, as wood products are somewhat flexible and may be affected by humidity or other factors. Once the first frame is in place, press firmly on the length of each side to ensure proper adhesion. Follow these steps to install the remainder of the frames. NOTE: Even if you work slowly and carefully, the process is relatively quick and yields great results. So take your time, follow these instructions, and enjoy your Luxe Architectural® products!