# submaterial

## **INSTALLATION + CARE GUIDE**

# TRANSIT

WOOD-SUBM-0028-02

These installation recommendations consist of common-sense practices for installing wall panels and similar products. Installers should rely upon their own professional experience and understanding of their unique requirements to be the best guide to a successful installation. It is highly recommended two people work together for this installation, using clean hands, and taking caution to preserve finish on wood faces.

#### **TOOLS + MATERIALS NEEDED**

Bar level or laser level

Chalk Line

Tape Measure

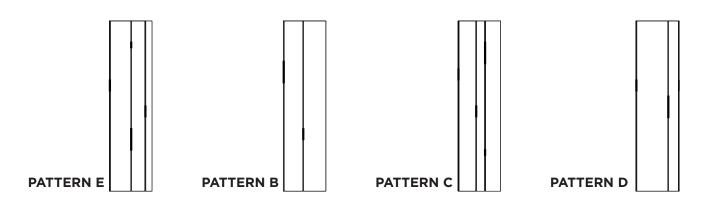
Drill

Wall screw appropriate for wall type

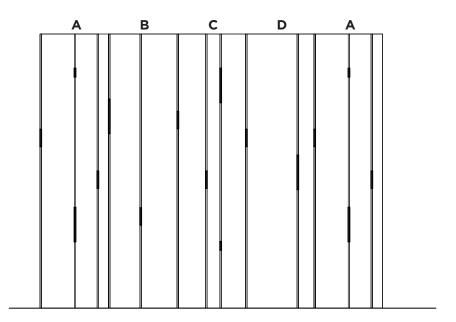
A heavy duty construction adhesive (such as liquid nails) for installation of End-of-Run Trim or Baseboard trim (as ordered) Jigsaw for installation of Baseboard Trim (as ordered)

Blue Painters tape

#### **COMPONENTS PROVIDED**



### STANDARD PATTERN LAYOUT



#### INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Inspect the panels. Subtle color and texture variations even within the same panel are a normal aspect of this product. In the case of product defect or damage in transit, Submaterial must be notified within five (5) business days. Please note that Submaterial cannot accept a return or warranty claim on any material that has been installed.
- 2. Allow components to acclimate to the installation environment. After the shipping crates have been opened, the panels should be laid out individually on the floor for at least forty-eight (48) hours.
- 3. While the panel are becoming acclimatized, clean the work surface. It should be smooth, dry, and dust free to allow the best possible installation. A Level 4 Finish wall preparation is sufficient.
- 4. If the order includes Baseboard Trim, this is installed directly onto the wall at the floor in order to provide protection from foot traffic. Baseboard Trim is provided in 8'-0" (2.4 m) lengths which are cut on site as needed to fit the wall. Align Baseboard Trim to sit flush against the wall. Scribe the Baseboard Trim to the finish floor and trim as needed to achieve a good fit. To achieve the most accurate scribe cut through the thick baseboard trim material, we recommend taping the veneer face with blue painter's tape and using a sturdy jigsaw blade for the cut. Choose a blade with the teeth always pushing into the material for the best edge quality. To permanently apply this material to the wall, we recommend a heavy-duty construction adhesive (such as Liquid Nails).
- 5. If the installed Baseboard Trim does not end in a corner, apply the Baseboard Trim End Caps with heavy-duty construction adhesive to the exposed edge to create a finished look.
- **6.** Use the bar level or laser level to determine a base level line for the panels. This line will set the level for the entire installation so it is most important to get this right. Consider whether you will be scribing to the ceiling or floor or both BEFORE setting this level line.
- 7. Wall Z-Clips will be provided in 6'-0" (1.8 m) sections. Cut Wall Z-Clips to length as needed to fit the installation width.
- **8.** The Z-Clip hanging method is much like hanging a picture on the wall. The clips allow the panels to be easily lifted off or set on the wall. While the panel is on the floor with the back side of panel facing up, lay Wall Z-Clips into Panel Z-Clips.
- 9. If your installation includes baseboard trim it should be installed and level at this point. Determine location of Wall Z-clips by first measuring location of the pre-installed Panel Z-clips. Transfer this measurement to the wall, measuring from either the finished floor, Baseboard Trim or overall level line. If you did not install Baseboard Trim and decided in Step 7 to scribe the installation to the floor, you should refer to Step 5 for best practices.
- 10. Snap chalk lines on wall at measured heights and ensure they are level.
- 11. Attach Wall Z-Clips with appropriate wall screws (not included) to wall with bottom aligned to chalk lines. Please note that it is recommended to screw into studs, blocking, or use appropriate anchors.
- **12.** Place panel on wall at least 3/4" (1.9 cm) higher than desired height and press firmly against wall. Slide panel down to engage Z-Clips. Check to be sure all Z-Clips are engaged.
- 13. If wall covering will end at an outside corner or in the middle of a wall, End-of-Run Trim may be ordered to conceal the exposed edge of the acoustic backing. This material will match the color of your order or will be another color as specified by the designer. To permanently apply this material, we recommend a heavy-duty construction adhesive (such as Liquid Nails).

#### **CLEANING + CARE INSTRUCTIONS**

**DUSTING:** Use a dry, microfiber cloth to clean the surface of your wood wall covering. Wiping gently with the microfiber cloth will collect all dust from the surface of the wall covering. It is not recommended to use dusting or cleaning sprays on wood veneer, as the product will build up on the surface of the veneer and cause a waxy or greasy appearance. It is recommended to regularly dust your wall coverings, to keep the wall covering looking pristine and to preserve the life of the product.

**LIGHT CLEANING:** If your surface requires more than a light dusting, it is recommended to use a gentle microfiber cloth with warm water and a mild non scented or died soap. Note that some detergents may leave a residue on the veneer. Dampen the cloth and scrub affected areas gently until debris has lifted and surface is clean. Immediately dry the surface you cleaned to prevent any warping or delamination of veneer. Be sure to wipe in direction of veneer.

**MAJOR CLEANING:** If your surface has become grimy and needs a major cleaning, a diluted vinegar solution can be used. 2 caps full of vinegar to 1 cup of warm water can be mixed in a spray bottle and applied to the areas that need treatment. Then using a microfiber cloth the solution should allow the dirt and grime to lift off easily. Be sure to wipe in teh direction of the wood grain.

**DO NOT** use ammonia-based cleaners on veneer. This can cause the finish to become cloudy and ruin the appearance of the product.

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