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Cork Installation Instructions and Adhesive Options

PREPARING THE WALLS AND CORK FOR INSTALLATION

Prepare Walls: Bancork EZ Clean Bulletin Board cork can be stuck directly onto walls which are compression and deformation resistant, smooth, rigid, flat, dry, clean and free of all foreign materials such as dust, paint, grease, oils, solvents, sealers, and old adhesive residue. This is to ensure proper bonding with the adhesive. It is always best to conduct an adhesive bond test prior to installation.

Prepare Cork: Lay sheets flat and allow them to acclimate to the room for at least 24 hours prior to installation, if possible. Back roll sheets once in reverse direction to release roll stretch. Bancork EZ Clean Bulletin Board cork shrinks lengthwise (1% at maximum) and expands slightly widthwise.

ADHESIVE OPTIONS

Linoleum/Cork L910 Adhesive: It is important that you use the proper adhesive. For best results, use L910 adhesive, which is available from Bangor Cork. It is a trowelable linoleum/cork adhesive which is SBR solvent free. If using this adhesive, use a 1/16" x 1/16" x 1/16" square notched trowel. Apply adhesive to the wall with a putty knife and spread with trowel in the area of the sheet being applied. If necessary, apply 10 to 12 inches of contact adhesive or acrylic dispersion adhesive to the upper part of the wall and to the back of the Bancork EZ Clean Bulletin Board cork to prevent the sheet from sliding down along the fresh adhesive. Working time for L910 Adhesive is 10-15 minutes.

Contact Adhesive: When using a press, the use of high quality polyvinyl acetate dispersion (contact adhesive, available from any home improvement store) may be used in a double-stick method. This adhesive is less forgiving and contacts surfaces almost instantly. Put 2 coats of adhesive on the cork, as it tends to absorb it slightly, and one coat on the wall.

ADHERING AND PRESSING CORK INTO ADHESIVE

Adhere the Bancork EZ Clean Bulletin Board cork onto the surface of a backing board or wall and press in firmly with a hand roller or with a press. Start with the top edge and the side along a perpendicular pencil line. Work from the top downwards, widthwise first. Firmly roll through the width, then the length with a hand roller to ensure proper transfer of adhesive and to remove air bubbles. Remove adhesive residue immediately with a damp cloth. Mineral Spirits may be used to remove dried adhesive. **NOTE:** On non-porous walls it is best to let the adhesive flash off at least 50% before applying the Bancork EZ Clean Bulletin Board cork material. This will give better initial tack and allow the adhesive to cure properly.

SAWING/MILLING TO SIZE AND FINISHING EDGES

Test the Bancork EZ Clean Bulletin Board cork for proper adhesion. Then saw or mill to size. You can also finish the edges by fitting a frame around or beveling the edges. **NOTE:** Always use sharp tools for best results. For seaming with subsequent sheets and finishing off jointed edges see *Cork Installation (Detailed Instructions)*.