Technical Data Bulletin

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DIF® ULTRA Concentrate Wallpaper Stripper

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

- **Works in 2-5 minutes**
- **5X more concentrated than Original liquid**
- **Includes measuring cap for easy dilution and make down**
- **Makes 8-16 gallons (mix 1-2oz to 1 gallon of warm water)**
- **Eco-friendly formula**
  - **Biodegradable**
  - **Non-toxic, no odor**
  - **No VOC's**
- **Non-staining**

Recommended Uses
DIF Ultra can be used to strip most types of wallpapers that cannot be effectively peeled or dry-stripped from the walls. These include: traditional paper wallpapers, vinyl coated papers, paper-backed vinyl wallpapers, solid vinyl wallpapers, foils, mylars, grass cloth, textiles and even painted wallpapers. (Borders – see section – Removal of wallpaper borders.)

Preparing Solution
Measure concentrate using 1oz measuring cap. Pour concentrate into a bucket of 5 gallon capacity. Add enough warm water to make 5 gallons of wallpaper stripping solution.

How to Remove
The type of wallpaper will determine the steps involved in the removal process. Grasp a seam or an edge of the wallpaper and try to peel it off. Remove any layer that peels off. Stop if attempts to dry strip the existing wallpaper fail or result in damage to the drywall, and refer to the instructions below for removal of specific types of wallpaper.

- **Traditional Paper Wallpaper**
  Traditional paper wallpaper is uncoated, porous and will absorb removers readily. No further preparation is necessary before applying DIF Ultra.

- **Coated Wallpaper**
  If wallpaper is a washable type (generally a standard paper that is coated with a vinyl or acrylic coating), score* the surface using the ZINSSER PaperTiger® scoring tool prior to applying DIF Ultra to enhance the liquid remover penetration. Score the wallpaper from the ceiling to the floor, using just enough force to break through the surface of the wallpaper.

- **Painted Wallpaper**
  If the wallpaper has been painted over, score the surface thoroughly using the PaperTiger scoring tool.

- **Vinyl Wallpaper**
  Most vinyl wallpapers are either peelable (the top layer can be removed, leaving the paper backing behind) or strippable (the entire sheet of wallpaper can be removed, leaving only adhesive residue behind). Always try to peel or strip the wallpaper first and apply DIF Ultra to the paper backing or adhesive residue. If the vinyl wallpaper cannot be peeled or stripped off, score the surface thoroughly with the PaperTiger before applying DIF Ultra.

- **Foil, Mylars, and Other Sealed Wallpapers**
  Thoroughly score the surface with the PaperTiger before applying DIF Ultra.

- **Textiles**
  If textile has been installed directly over adhesive, simply apply DIF Ultra. Some textiles need their surface scored with the PaperTiger.
- **Multiple Layers of Wallpaper**
  It may be necessary to remove the wallpaper one layer at a time since multiple layers can resist full penetration of the scoring tool.

**When using the PaperTiger, apply only enough pressure to penetrate the wallpaper to avoid damaging the drywall. The more holes the better. If unsure, test a small area before proceeding.*

Application
Before using DIF Ultra, protect carpeting, floors, furniture and adjacent areas. For convenience, apply DIF Ultra using the refillable pump up sprayer for large projects. Be sure to apply in corners and tight spots.

Coverage
16 oz DIF Ultra makes 8-16 gallons of wallpaper stripper solution, enough to strip four 12' x 24' rooms.
Note that coverage will vary with porosity of wallpaper and thickness of product application.

Wetting Period
DIF Ultra functions much like paint remover, i.e. it must penetrate the wallpaper and loosen the adhesive. Reaction time will vary depending on the type of wallpaper being removed as well as the type of adhesive used. Most wallpaper will be ready for removal 2 – 5 minutes after DIF Ultra has been applied. Some types of wallpaper may take longer.

Scraping Off the Wallpaper
Use the ZINSSER Paper Scraper™** to remove loosened wallpaper. Place blade of Paper Scraper at top edge of side of wallpaper section and gently slide underneath wallpaper to separate it from the wall. For stubborn areas, reapply DIF Ultra and wait an additional 2-5 minutes before removing.

Adhesive Removal
Allow DIF Ultra to soak in until the adhesive is loose and can be sponged or scraped off with the ZINSSER Paper Scraper or a wide putty knife. DIF Ultra will remove starch based adhesives, but not non-water soluble vinyl-over-vinyl or border adhesives.

***The ZINSSER Paper Scraper is a tool specially designed to remove loosened wallpaper and old adhesive without gouging or cutting the drywall.*

Removal of Wallpaper Borders
Wallpaper borders are frequently installed with a special glue called "border adhesive" or "vinyl-to-vinyl adhesive". This glue is very similar to common white glue (Elmer's® Glue) and cannot be removed with wallpaper removers including DIF Ultra. There is no easy way to remove borders installed with these glues. Try to peel off the decorative layer as mentioned earlier, and then start soaking using one of the DIF Wallpaper Strippers. The white glue may soften with long soaking. Scrape off as much of the border and adhesive as possible using a Paper Scraper. After scraping, sand off the remaining portion with 100-grit sandpaper. Expect some wall damage. Spot prime areas with B-I-N® Spray Primer, GARDZ® High Performance Sealer or GARDZ® Spray and patch with Ready Patch® Spackling & Patching Compound and sand smooth. Protect porous adjacent surfaces such as popcorn ceilings.

Wall Clean-up
After wallpaper has been removed apply a thin layer of DIF Ultra to walls to remove any remaining adhesive. After 10 minutes rinse the surfaces and adjoining areas very well with water. Look to see that all of the stripper solution is removed. Be sure to change rinse water frequently to avoid recontamination of the walls. If there is mildew, use JOMAX Mold Killer and Deodorizer to destroy any mildew that may be present and JOMAX Mold and Mildew Stain Remover to remover any stains . Rinse walls and allow to dry before painting or installing new wallpaper.

Tool Clean-up
Wash roller, brush, and any trays, pans, or buckets with warm tap water.

Storage/Shelf Life/Disposal
Although DIF Ultra has an indefinite shelf life, always keep the container tightly closed and store in a cool, dry place. Protect from freezing. The disposal of excess or left over product should conform to local laws regarding water-based products.

Caution
Do not take internally. Keep away from children. Close container after each use and keep cap tightly closed during storage. Keep from freezing.

Warranty
DIF Ultra is warranted to perform as indicated on the product label if applied according to directions. Label directions are as complete as possible but cannot encompass all conditions, applications and/or surfaces beyond our control. The contents of this container are warranted to be free of defects for 2 years from the date of manufacture. All warranties and guarantees are limited to replacement or refund value of the product used with proof of purchase. No other warranty or guarantee is expressed or implied. If you have a question, check with your dealer or call Rust-Oleum Corporation at 1-888-855-1774.

PACKAGING & SHIPPING INFORMATION

Size	Item No.	Product UPC	Carton Code	Case Dimensions	Case Pack	Case Wt	Case Vol. In.	Pallet Pack	Pallet Size
16oz bottle	252648	20066194482			6				