

Tips for perfect paint prep.

PREPARATION

Clean the surface you're going to tape using a damp rag. Allow the surface to dry completely.

APPLICATION

Tape all the surfaces you want to keep paint-free: baseboards, windows, tiles and other areas.



Tear off about 2 to 3 feet of tape at a time, laying each new piece of tape over the end of the previous piece.



Press down as you go, using your fingers to lay tape into surface depressions.



Secure tape by pressing the edge down with a putty knife or 5-in-1 tool. For textured surfaces, seal the edge of the tape with the existing base paint color of the wall.

REMOVAL

For best results, remove as soon as you've applied the last coat of paint, or after the paint is dry to the touch.



Remove tape slowly, pulling it back on itself at a 45° angle from the original line of tape.



If the adhesive sticks to the surface, try pulling at a 90° angle.



If the tape pulls paint up with it, try lightly scoring the edge of the tape with a razor blade before continuing to remove tape.