Decorator's Notebook

Wallpaper Removal Made Simple

(NAPSA)—Have you grown tired of your old wallpaper? Is it out-of-date or the wrong color or pattern for your new dècor? Have no fear; removing old wallpaper is easy if you follow a few simple steps and use products that are available at your local home center, paint retailer or hardware store.

Step 1: The secret to easy wall-paper removal is to loosen the glue underneath. Perforate the surface with a scoring tool like ZINSSER'S PaperTiger®. The unique patented cutting action perforates the wall-paper to allow the wallpaper stripper to penetrate through the paper. Tip from the Pros: The more holes you make, the faster and easier the paper will come off the wall.

Step 2: After perforating the wallpaper, apply a wallpaper stripper like ZINSSER'S DIF® Wallpaper Stripper Liquid Concentrate or DIF Ready to Use Gel. Apply the solution to one wall at a time, starting at the top and working your way down. It is specially formulated to penetrate and break down wallpaper paste quickly and efficiently. In about 15 to 20 minutes the wallpaper will be ready to be removed.

Step 3: Remove the wallpaper using a tool like Paper Scraper®



You don't have to feel as if your back's against the wall when you change wallpaper with the right equipment.

Wallpaper Remover and Wall Scraper. The tool scrapes off stubborn sections of paper without damaging the surface of the wall. Once all the wallpaper has been removed, reapply DIF for 15 to 20 minutes to remove any remaining glue. Use Paper Scraper to scrape away glue residue and wipe down the walls with a damp sponge.

Congratulations! You're ready to paint or hang new wallpaper. For more information on removing or hanging wallpaper and other home improvement "tips," visit www.zinsser.com or call ZINSSER at 732-469-8100.