



### Application Instructions

Prepare gypsum board by insuring all joints are tight. Wipe excessive dust from the gypsum board.

#### Step 1

##### DO-IT-YOUR-SELFERS (DIYS)

Cut a strip of Finishing Tape sufficient to cover a drywall seam. Take the cut strip and quickly dip into any water bath just long enough to wet both sides of the Tape and then quickly remove it from the water. Place the wet strip over the drywall seam. Smooth the wet tape with a towel or an 8" drywall knife to remove excess water. Allow 5-10 minutes for the Tape to dry before applying the first coat of joint compound. Do not attempt to reposition the tape once applied. Repositioning it will cause damage to the wallboard surface. Simply place a new strip of tape over the misaligned tape. As an option, DIYS can use the PROFESSIONAL step, which follows.

##### PROFESSIONALS

Professionals can use the E-Z Applicator. This is available from your dealer or it can be ordered from us by calling **800-721-8273**. See the video demonstrating usage of the applicator with the Tape on our website, [www.eztapingsystem.com](http://www.eztapingsystem.com).

#### Step 2

Apply only approved joint compounds to sufficiently coat the Tape for the first coat, using an 8 or 10-inch drywall knife or box. Hold the knife at 90 degree to the tape in order to spread joint compound properly. You can use a pre-mix or a paste All-Purpose joint compound, such as USG or Sheetrock (green label) or the equivalent for the first coat. If you prefer, you can also use a "Quick setting" joint compound, such as Sheetrock Easy Sand (90 minute) or the equivalent. Use CGC Joint Compounds or the equivalent in Canada.

#### Step 3

Allow the first coat of joint compound to dry properly. Read the instructions on the label of the joint compound for drying time. When the joint compound is dry, remove any imperfections with a drywall knife or sand paper.

#### Step 4

Apply the second coat of joint compound with a 12-inch drywall knife or box. Lightweight compounds are acceptable for the second coat.

#### Step 5

Complete the final sanding and then paint or texture.

#### **ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR USING E-Z STICK FINISHING TAPE**

1. Finishing Tape, gypsum board, and air temperature must be at or above 35 degrees Fahrenheit to achieve proper adhesion during installation. E-Z STICK Tape must be stored at or above 35 degrees Fahrenheit prior to application.
2. Use only approved joint compounds as described in Step 2 above. Using a non-approved joint compound might cause cracking or bubbling of the joint compound.
3. Gypsum board must be dry and free of excessive dust before applying E-Z STICK Finishing Tape.
4. Butt joint with wide gaps should be pre-filled with a "Quick setting" joint compound. E-Z STICK should be immediately applied over the wet joint compound.
5. Exposed gypsum from torn drywall paper, that is part of drywall joints, should also be coated with a "Quick setting" joint compound. E-Z STICK should be immediately applied over the wet joint compound.
6. E-Z STICK Finishing Tape should be used only for interior walls and ceiling surfaces that are to be finished with paint, wallpaper, or other wall covering.
7. Insufficient wetting of the tape, which may be caused by wetting with a sponge, may cause bubbling of the Tape.
8. An instructional video for the E-Z STICK Finishing Tape can be seen at our website which is; [www.eztapingsystem.com](http://www.eztapingsystem.com).
9. Call us at 800-721-8273 if you have any questions.

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