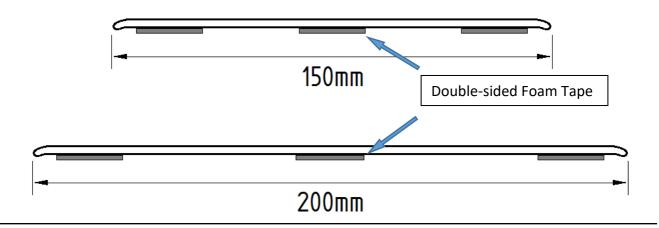# Installation Instructions

Wall Strips
WST150 & WST200 Tape (T) and No Tape options (N)

WST - All Options

1. Wall Strips must be installed in environmentally controlled conditions and must be allowed to acclimatise to room temperature for 24 hours prior to installation. The ideal temperature is between 16°C and 18°C.

2. Before installing, a full inspection of the substrate should be undertaken to ensure that the substrate is flat, intact and free from oil, grease or dust or any contaminants that could prevent good adhesion to the substrate surface, and if necessary, thoroughly primed. Any damage to the substrate should be made good and allowed to cure prior to commencing installation. On a wall where wallpaper is present Gradus recommend that the paper directly behind where the product will sit is removed and the substrate made good. The product should then be adhered directly to the substrate.

3. Using a laser level to define the correct installation height, ensure that accurate measurements have been taken to define the correct size requirements. Wall Strips can be cut to size using a craft knife, using several progressively firmer scoring marks along the cutting line. Ends should be de-burred by using a fine file. Adhesive tape should be trimmed between 1mm and no more than 4mm from the cut edge of the Wall Strip. All cuts should be made before installation.

4. Wherever possible, for lengths of Wall Strip longer than 4.0m it is recommended to even out the lengths (i.e. for a 4.5m length consider using a 2.0m and a 2.5m length instead of a 4.0m & 0.5m length)

5. Peel off the tape's protective cover from the Wall Strip. Starting at the edge aligned to the laser level, position the wall strip on the wall. Continue installation by pressing the Wall Strip onto the wall over its entire length. Apply firm pressure to the entire surface of the Wall Strip to ensure a firm bond. A hard rubber roller or a wood block covered in a soft cloth will aid this step.

6. When adhering to porous or difficult surfaces, Wall Strips should be ordered without tape (N). Before installation starts note all the requirements in **Point 2.**

   Note: To order Wall Strips without the factory applied tape put an '**N'** after the product code.
   To order Wall Strips with the factory applied tape put a '**T'** after the product code.

7. For all Wall Strips which require bonding without tape, the recommended adhesive is F. Ball's F46. The F46 adhesive should be applied to the back of the Wall Strip using a standard paint roller at a coverage rate of 1 litre per 3m². The F46 should be allowed to dry off and become tacky for between 15 and 30 minutes. Once the adhesive surface can be felt by finger tip touch to be tacky rather than wet it is then ready to be offered up to the wall for bonding.

8. Apply firm pressure to the entire surface of the Wall Strip to ensure a firm bond. A hard rubber roller or a wood block covered in a soft cloth will aid this step.

150mm

200mm

Double-sided Foam Tape