

# **Drywall Finishing & Repair**

# **Estimating Materials**

Quickly determine how much ProForm® BRAND Joint Compound will be needed to complete your project.

Sq. Ft. of Wall/Ceiling	Wallboard Size 4' x 8' 4' x 10' 4' x 12'			Ready Mix /lbs.	Joint Tape /ft.
100	4	3	3	14	35
200	7	5	5	26	70
300	10	8	7	42	105
400	13	10	9	56	140
500	16	13	11	70	175
1000	32	25	21	140	350

# **Finishing Drywall Joints**

Finishing a drywall joint is relatively simple if you follow these basic instructions:

- Apply a uniform laver. 4" wide, of compound to the joints.
- Center tape over the ioint and press firmly into place with the knife.
- Remove excess joint compound, leaving a sufficient amount under tape for adhesion to drywall.
- Let joint dry for approximately 24 hours.

**Cracks/Holes smaller** 

Cover with uniform laver

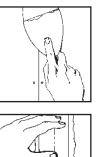
than 1" diameter:

of joint compound.

Center and press paper

Cover with a thin uniform

tape into the joint compound.



- First finish coat: Apply a thin coat of compound. Feather out 3" to 4" on each side of the tape. Let dry thoroughly (approximately 24 hours).
- Second finish coat: Apply a second thin coat. Feather out 8" to 10" on each side of the

tape. Let dry approximately 24 hours.

Sand compound with a damp sponge and blend with existing surface. Prime before decorating.

### **Inside Corners**

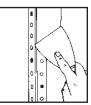
Apply 2" band of joint compound to both sides of inside corner. Crease tape along score line and press firmly into corner.

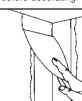
Remove excess joint compound, leaving a sufficient amount under tape for adhesion to drywall. Apply finish coat to one side of corner. Allow to dry. Then apply finish coat to the other side of corner. Allow to dry.

# **Outside Corners**

- Cornerbead should be fastened securely 8" o.c. with fasteners on alternating sides.
- Apply joint compound over the cornerbead flange. First coat should

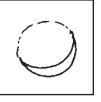
be approximately 4" wide; second coat 6" to 10" wide on each side of corner.





## **Repairing popped nails:**

- Drive a new nail 1-1/2" above the popped nail into the stud - indent face paper without tearing (called dimpling).
- Drive and "dimple" the popped nail.
- Cover with a thin. uniform layer of joint compound and let dry 24 hours.
- needed and let dry 24 hours between coats.
- Sand with sandpaper or a damp sponge and blend with existing surface.
- Prime before painting or decorating.







- adhesion to drywall. Apply joint compound over the first piece of tape. Place second piece of
  - tape over the first in a criss-cross pattern.
  - laver of joint compound and let dry 24 hours. Apply additional coats
  - 24 hours between coats.
  - Sand with sandpaper or a damp sponge and blend with existing surface.
  - Prime before painting or decorating.







Apply additional coats as



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### Holes larger than 1" **Repairing Cracks and Holes** to 2-1/2" in diameter: Cover with uniform layer of joint compound.

- Center and press paper tape horizontally into joint compound.
- Leave sufficient compound under tape for
- - as needed and let dry

- layer of joint compound and let dry 24 hours. Apply additional coats as needed and let dry 24 hours between coats.
- Sand with sandpaper or a damp sponge and blend with existing surface.
- Prime before painting or decorating.
- **Repairing Torn Face Paper:**
- Remove loose face paper.
- Coat damaged area with primer/sealer.
- Cover with uniform layer of joint compound and let dry 24 hours.
- Apply additional coats as needed and let dry 24 hours between coats.
- Sand with sandpaper or a damp sponge and blend with existing surface.
- Prime before painting or decorating.





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