

Papering

Papering is much like carpeting, it being necessary to match patterns. In practice the exact cost of papering a room is seldom determined. The approximate cost is given, making a liberal allowance for matching and for doors and windows, etc.

Wall paper is sold in single rolls 8 yards long, or in double rolls 16 yards long. It is usually 18 inches wide. Fractional parts of a roll are not sold, and the dealer will not cut a strip lengthwise. Borders are sold by the linear yard.

A paper hanger usually measures around a room, making a deduction for the doors and windows. If the paper is 18 inches wide, two vertical strips are required for each yard of the distance. No allowance for matching the pattern is necessary for the first strip. In the succeeding strip the size of the pattern somewhat determines the allowance for matching.

EXERCISE

1. How many yards of paper 18 in. wide will be required for a room 20 ft. long, 15 ft. wide, and 9 ft. high?
2. How many square feet of plain paper will be required for a room 18 ft. 9 in. long and 15 ft. 3 in. wide, and 8 ft. high?
3. How many yards of paper 18 inches wide will paper the ceiling of a rectangular room 24 ft. by 21 ft.?
4. Find the cost of papering the walls and ceiling of a room 30 ft. by 24 ft. and 12 ft. high with paper 18 in. wide, at 25 cts. per roll of 8 yd.
5. How many rolls of paper 18 in. wide will paper the walls and ceiling of a rectangular room 27 ft. by 18 ft. and 12 ft. high?