

# HOW TO PREPARE PAINTED AND POROUS SURFACES

- 1 To ensure product warranty, please note in any Belbien spec “Material to be purchased through and installed by Interior Design Solutions Belbien Certified Installers | 1.866.953.4662 | cforte@idsfinishes.com | www.idsfinishes.com. Contact Belbien USA for certified installers”.
- 2 Sand the entire area with a fine orbital sander with vacuum attachment. Sand until area is 100% smooth. Any imperfections in the substrate can telegraph through. Any edges where material will turn a plane must be 100% even and smooth.
- 3 Clean surface of all dust using paper towels and Invisible Glass (glass cleaner). Remove all dust. You must ensure 100% of dust and contaminants are removed prior to sealing the surface.
- 4 Apply evenly two coats of Zinsser Gardz Problem Surface Sealer. Ensure a 100% even coat as uneven surfaces will telegraph through.  
→ <https://www.rustoleum.com/product-catalog/consumer-brands/zinsser/primer-sealers/gardz-problem-surface-sealer>
- 5 Allow five days to cure.
- 6 Once cured, wipe the entire area with a rag and Invisible Glass (glass cleaner). Make sure the surface is 100% smooth.
- 7 Apply a small amount of 3M Primer 94 adhesive promoter to areas of the substrate (leading/exposed edges, plane changes, complex curves). DO NOT apply Primer 94 to the entire substrate.
- 8 Apply Belbien. Do not reposition Belbien once applied as it can peel the substrate which will compromise the material.
- 9 Once installation is complete, lightly heat with a heat gun the entire installation area and any plane changes. Give installation area one more pass with a squeegee or roller.
- 10 Feel free to contact us at [info@idsfinishes.com](mailto:info@idsfinishes.com) at any time (before or during installation) for additional guidance.

