

PAINTING OF HARLEQUIN FLOORS

All Harlequin vinyl floors can be painted, however special attention needs to be paid in the floor preparation of *Harlequin Hi-Shine™* before painting the surface. (see footnote)

There are two different types of paint that can be used:

1. **Standard Stage Paint**, which is a water based acrylic emulsion, that can be washed off after use. It can flake and peel if it is rolled up and out often.
2. **PVC Paint** is more permanent. You should test in a small area to be sure it is the color you want.

GUIDE TO FLOOR PREPARATION

- **Stage 1 ****

The vinyl surface will need to be thoroughly cleaned (degreased) with Harlequin Daily Cleaner to remove any surface contaminant that might otherwise prevent the paint from keying to the surface. Do not use White spirit to degrease the floor. Allow to dry.

- **Stage 2**

If the floor has been previously painted, slightly sand the surface. This could be best done using a fine grit sandpaper, 115-162 micrometers (P100 / P120).

- **Stage 3**

Prime the floor using a standard latex primer such as those used on wallpapers. Allow to dry.

- **Stage 4 ****

Paint the chosen vinyl floor using any of the 2 types dependent on your needs.

NOTES:

- ** In all cases, always follow the manufacturer's recommendations when using their materials.
- Ensure that ambient conditions prevail when carrying out the above tasks.
- Harlequin does not offer this service.

Harlequin Hi-Shine's hard polymer surface makes it less receptive to accepting paint. The surface needs to be lightly and evenly sanded to make sure that the paint keys on. Uneven sanding will lead to areas where the paint does not fully adhere to the surface.