

# BEARACADE™ FAQ's

ANSWERS TO FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## Q. How fast can I apply BearAcade™?

A. On walls and floors contractors can apply BearAcade™ utilizing the applicators 9-10x's as fast as the traditional method. Contractors average 350 sq. ft. an hour for walls and floors hanging poly with duct tape and spray glue. With BearAcade™ that number increases to 3500 sq. ft. an hour.

## Q. What about criticals?

A. Criticals can be applied 4-5x's as fast. For instance, using the traditional method (duct-tape, glue and poly) it takes 10-15 minutes to critical a door. However using BearAcade™, a door can be finished in less than a minute. That's 10x as fast!

## Q. Do I have to tape the seams?

A. No, BearAcade™ is a lot like tape and sticks well to the surface and itself creating a tight seal. Duct tape is porous and BearAcade™ is not. So, you will reach the negative air requirement faster using BearAcade™.

## Q. What are some of the best ways to use BearAcade™?

A. Almost all critical barriers, full containments (walls and floors) and for dust control.

## Q. What about containment failures?

A. With BearAcade™ containment failures are greatly reduced. With duct tape you may have only two inches of tape holding up your containment. However, with BearAcade™ you have the whole surface adhered. This gives the containment much more stability and strength and that means your containment stays on the wall.

## Q. Does BearAcade™ billow out under negative air?

A. No. Unlike regular poly, BearAcade™ when under negative air doesn't billow out from the walls and floors. It stays tight to the surface.

## Q. Is BearAcade™ for every situation?

A. There are some industrial situations that need regular poly. Sometimes you will use both BearAcade™ and regular poly. But you should be able to use BearAcade™ for every critical barrier.

## Q. Is BearAcade™ more expensive than poly?

A. Time is money, BearAcade™ is more expensive per sq ft than poly, keep in mind BearAcade™ goes up 9 to 10 times faster and there is no need for duct tape and spray glue. Your lower labor cost will give you the most savings.

## Q. Can I put two layers on the walls and floors?

A. Yes. BearAcade™ sticks to itself and is designed to be layered on walls and floors as the specifications call for it.

## Q. Will the layers come off of each other?

A. BearAcade™ like most rolls of tape has a release coat on the backing. BearAcade™ will stick to itself, but it will also come off of itself. So you can take down your containment one layer at a time without tearing off the criticals.

## Q. What about rolling scaffolding over it?

A. BearAcade™ adheres tight to the surface; you can roll scaffolding over it without tearing up the plastic. Since it doesn't billow or slide around, it is a much safer and easier surface to work on than normal poly.

## Q. What about water?

A. BearAcade™ will trap any water if there is a breach. It will bubble up and then the contractor can puncture the bubble, vacuum out the water and patch the hole in mere seconds. If water breaches a regular containment built with regular poly and duct tape, water will travel the length of the containment, making cleanup messy while adding time to the job.

## Q. What about cleanup?

A. Cleanup is one of the best attributes of BearAcade™. When applied to floors, it lays very flat and tight to the floor which allows the contractor to actually squeegee the water and vacuum without sucking the poly into the vacuum.

## Q. Is BearAcade™ more slippery than regular poly?

A. It is less slippery. When two layers of BearAcade are applied to the floor, they are tight to the floor and each other. It is a safer product to work on than regular poly.

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## Q. How long can BearAcade™ stay up?

A. We recommend that BearAcade™ stay up no longer than 30 days. There are so many variables to consider - heat, humidity and the surface, we would recommend that you use caution in keeping the containment up longer than 30 days.

## Q. What about stairs?

A. If you have ever tried to duct tape poly to steps on a stairway then you know it is hard to do and can become a very slippery environment to walk on. However, with BearAcade™ you have a tight surface to walk on. Try it on stairs, it is much easier to apply, and much safer to work and walk on stairs with BearAcade™ applied.

## Q. Does BearAcade™ leave a residue?

A. No. BearAcade™ is manufactured in such a way that the adhesive is anchored which means that when it is removed from a surface, the adhesive doesn't stay behind. It won't leave residue behind. Rest assured that when you clean up, you won't have to clean up the residue from BearAcade™.

## Q. Are there surfaces where BearAcade™ will not work?

A. Yes. Concrete blocks, varnished floors not factory finished, painted walls that are peeling or very old paint. Most surfaces work well using BearAcade™. However, we do suggest you test a surface prior to construction of your containment. We also suggest that you follow our BearAcade™ guidelines to insure that you match the right version to the right surface.

## Q. What surfaces can I cover with Multi-Surface BearAcade™

A. Multi-Surface BearAcade™, uses a uniquely integrated adhesive system designed to adhere to almost every surface and allow a clean and easy release.

## Q. What surface can I cover with Carpet BearAcade™?

A. All carpet piles and surfaces where the multi-surface adhesive is not strong enough or has a rough surface.

## Q. Will I need duct tape or spray glue?

A. BearAcade™ is all you will need. That's the beauty of BearAcade™. You don't need the additional expense of duct tape and spray glue.

## Q. What are some of the downsides of duct tape and spray glue?

A. Duct tape and spray glue leave residue on walls and floors. You don't have that worry with BearAcade™.

## Q. Are custom sizes available?

A. Yes, however there are minimum order requirements. Keep in mind that our applicators are designed for 4ft rolls.

## Q. Is BearAcade™ patented?

A. Yes, it is -US patent 7,818,941.



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