

# GREATMATS

## Roll Out Mat Tape Seamless Look Tape and VLP Application Instructions

Seam-Free Mat Tape is made from the same vinyl material as our martial arts and wrestling mats for a clean, seamless look that's perfect for permanent mat installations. This tape is best used in conjunction with VLP glue applied to the tape edges for a highly resilient bond that, when applied correctly, can last for years.

**Tools:** Plastic applicator, straight edge, clean towel or rag, denatured alcohol.

### Applying the Tape

**Prepare the mat:** Lightly wipe down the seam that you'll be taping with denatured alcohol. If the mat has already been used, start by cleaning the mat with standard mat cleaner and allow to dry completely. Make sure the mat sections fit tightly against each other without any gaps along the seam.

**Tip:** to help line up the tape as you're applying it, place a straight-edge along the seam, off-set by half the width of the tape (1-1/2").

**Apply the tape:** Start by pulling back about 12" of the backing paper from the tape and apply the tape to the bottom of the mat, centered on the seam, and wrapping it around to the top (as shown in photo below).



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### **Seamless Look Tape and VLP Application Instructions – continued**

Remove about 2 feet of the backing, pull the tape tight while lining it up with the center of the seam, then press down to apply. Using the plastic applicator, firmly press down the newly taped area from your starting point and back. If any wrinkles form, carefully lift up the tape and reapply.

Continue until the entire seam has been taped, then wrap the tape around the edge to the back side, cutting off any excess.

#### **Applying VLP Glue**

We recommend testing out the applicator to get a feeling for the right technique and the amount of pressure required to produce an even bead.

The idea is to cover the entire height of the tape edge with VLP to create an optimal seal and a full lip. The VLP will shrink slightly when dry, so be sure to apply a generous bead.

Carefully apply an even bead of glue to the entire edge of the tape. Repeat with the other side.

#### **Notes & Tips**

- 1) Seam-Free Mat Tape isn't recommended for use without VLP, as it can leave adhesive residue on the mat when pulled up.
- 2) VLP Glue dries quickly. Make sure to keep your bottle capped when not in use.
- 3) Use extra care when applying the VLP, as it can be difficult to clean up. If you do make a mistake, quickly wipe it up and clean the area with a small amount of denatured alcohol.

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