

# METALLIC HOW-TO GUIDE



*Presenting a sleek, luminous finish that lends a shimmering richness to classic colors and introduces timeless luxury to walls, trim and architectural elements throughout the home*



## WHAT YOU WILL NEED:



Ralph Lauren METALLIC Paint  
See Step One for space estimations.



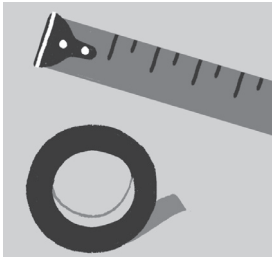
Ralph Lauren Specialty Finish  
9" Sponge Roller  
Cover with Small Sea Sponge



Quality 9"  
Roller Frame  
with 3/8" Nap  
Roller Cover

**ADDITIONAL ITEMS:** 3" Painter's tape · Drop cloth · Latex gloves · Paint tray

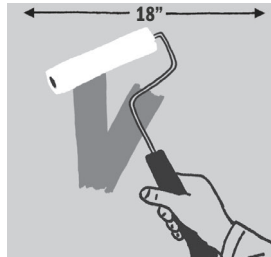
### STEP ONE: PREP



- Prior to use, the Sponge Roller Cover should be rinsed thoroughly with warm water, squeezed to remove excess water and then allowed to dry overnight.
- Measure your room to estimate how much METALLIC you'll need. One gallon of METALLIC covers approximately 200 square feet with two coats. A typical 12' X 12' room with an 8' ceiling requires about two gallons. It will take two coats to achieve the look of METALLIC.
- Always start with clean, dry walls that have been primed with a latex primer. METALLIC is not recommended for ceilings or textured walls.
- Tape off all areas to be painted with 3" painter's tape, including across the ceiling and any adjacent walls.

**HELPFUL HINT** For a consistent appearance throughout the room, one person should apply METALLIC to all walls.

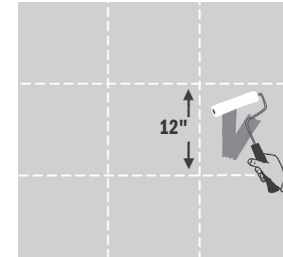
### STEP TWO: ROLL



- Condition the quality 9" roller with 3/8" nap roller cover by rolling it through the paint 20 to 30 times.
- Starting at the top corner and working in an 18" x 18" section, apply METALLIC in a random downward V-pattern until the paint is spread uniformly, getting as close to the edge of the wall as possible. Then do a final downward sweep in various angles over the section. Use the small sea sponge to coat any areas around the edges that you could not cover with the roller.
- Reload the roller and start another 18" x 18" section, blending into the first area. Spread the paint uniformly as you go. Continue applying in 18" x 18" sections until the wall is covered.
- Allow METALLIC to dry for at least two hours before proceeding to Step Three.
- For light colors requiring a second basecoat: Allow the first coat to dry for at least two hours. Then, starting in the top opposite corner of the wall, apply a second coat as described above.

**HELPFUL HINT** Don't be alarmed if you see random roller marks and heavy overlaps with non-uniform coverage, especially in lighter colors. This is the correct appearance and helps create the finished effect.

### STEP THREE: SECOND COAT



- Condition the Ralph Lauren Specialty Finish 9" Sponge Roller by rolling it through the paint about 10 times. Don't worry about completely covering the roller's deep grooves or crevices.
- Starting in the top opposite corner from your final basecoat, and working in a 12" x 12" section, apply METALLIC in a random downward V-pattern until the paint is spread to an even consistency. Then do a final downward sweep in various angles over the section. Use the small sea sponge to coat any areas around the edges that you could not cover with the roller.
- Reload the roller and start another 12" x 12" section, blending into the first area. Continue applying in 12" x 12" sections until the wall is covered.
- Gently remove the tape and allow to dry.

**HELPFUL HINTS** For future maintenance, a small artist's brush can touch up minor damaged zones. Due to the directional nature of the finish, large marred areas require the entire wall to be recoated.

METALLIC can be painted over without sanding. Apply a coat or two of primer followed by your new Ralph Lauren Paint or Ralph Lauren Specialty Finish.

This application results in a hammered metal appearance. To achieve a smooth metallic appearance, consult a paint professional for the use of an HVLV sprayer.