



Activity: Fitting Zippered Doors

For some applications, it is necessary to allow for access inside a containment structure or encapsulation after the shrink wrap plastic has been applied. Under-Raps supplies pre-sewn zippered doors that can be applied after the plastic has been shrunk. Each door consists of a pair of straight zips pre-sewn onto Powershrink film, with double-sided tape pre-applied ready for installation.



Example roll-up door created from a pair of straight zips.

Installing

1. Select a flat surface of the plastic. Peel the backing paper from the double sided tape on the zipper.
2. Apply the zipper to the plastic film, with the zip closed, pressing firmly around the edges so that the double sided tape sticks well to the plastic film.

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3. Use UV-resistant White Shrink Tape (URTA-135) around the outside edge of the zippered panel, lapping the tape over from the panel to the plastic film.
4. Open the zip and use a sharp knife (box cutter, trimmer, etc) to cut the underlying plastic film in a straight line directly under the zip.
5. From the inside of the enclosed space, use the tape to again lap from the plastic film to the zipper panel.
6. Repeat process for the other side of the doorway.

Sealing

If the enclosed space does not need to be accessed for a significant period, then after closing the zip, use the UV-resistant white tape to cover over the entire length of the zip.

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