Installing and using TopStop™

1-Attach TopStop onto the rod on the handle so that the tip of the stop rod is positioned no more than about 3/4"- 1" beyond the roller.

- 2- Position TopStop so that the stopper device can sufficiently flip back.
- 3- Tighten* the three Phillips head screws of the bottom section onto the handle *rod*.

 *DO NOT OVERTIGHTEN THESE ...

Note- depending in the handle design, you may need to adjust the upper stop rod and screws and slide the stop rod a little and set it to get the desired "exposure". The middle hole can be used for more extreme settings so as to still secure the rod with two screws .









USING Your TopStop

1- First using a regular method such as a brush, "cut in" the wall at the ceiling, doors, and windows, painting to a width of about 1-3/4" or wider (about three fingers' width).







- 2- With TopStop[™] installed, roll short vertical "W" strips/rows, <u>only</u> about 15-20" high at the top of the wall.
- 3- Go four or five feet wide, or much more, depending on your paint's characteristics.
- 3- Flip the stop rod and roll the remaining part of <u>that</u> <u>same section</u> from the top down.

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Rolling general tip The farther past the roller the tip is mounted, the wider the paint "cut in" must be.(you can learn to use it with a very short tip exposure (1/2"-3/4") patents pending





FOR BEST FINISH - NO BI-DIRECTIONAL STROKES ever- not just for TopStop painting (just roll from the top down or bottom up- but <u>not both for you final coat</u>.... we like top down) check our website for videos and tips

TopStop[™] becomes part of your routine. In fact it doesn't break your stride- it preserves it. There is a slight technique adjustment, then you are good to fly!

-Does the stop rod get in the way when you "ink" the roller?

Not with a standard roller tray, The rod clears the rim of the tray nicely (however, TopStop[™] isn't useful with a roller grid in a five gallon pail).

<u>-What about the stop rod hitting the wall on a full downstroke?</u> The stop rod swings back like a kickstand allowing a regular downstroke. About every 5 feet you swing it back, and roll the wall below where you just were. (When using with a pole hold the pole a little lower as you approach floor) *I use a special roller, will TopStop™ fit ?* Usually. The rod channel is 5/16" wide and the TopStop can be attached at the middle or side. You can get it to do its job from several angles, and the screws will accommodate thinner roller handle rods from imports etc. We have an accessory that fits the wider aluminum handle rods, and one for mounting at a different angle on variant handle styles.

<u>What about grid or acoustical ceilings?</u> We have an accessory for grid-type drop ceilings. <u>Will TopStopTM rust?</u> In short, no. TopStopTM is made from plastics, stainless steel, and aluminum. However, It's a tool and should be air dried or wiped when washed.

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Parts diagram patent pending 1-twin block 2-stopper rod 3-pivot bolt 4-washer 5-lock washer 6-locking nut 7-rod and handle screws 8-stopper tip 7