## **About Fixing Cornice**

check that surface is sound. Slight deviations in surface flatness will not be noticeable in the finished job.

To position the cornice correctly, mark the walls and ceiling with the measurement profile of the Cornice that is to be fitted, chalking a line being one of the best methods of establishing continuous lines around the room for guidelines. The wall line is the line to which the cornice is best fitted to, as this is the most noticeable eye point.

Plaster Cornice is best adhered to bare plaster walls, if this is not the case i.e. emulsion walls, do the following: key the area where the Cornice will come in contact on the walls and ceiling with sharp tool or blade, apply a P.V.A. sealer to the same.

## **Cutting a Mitre**

Without the use of a Mitre block: Square off the chosen piece of Cornice at the point where it will reach the corner of the room. To cut a mitre for an internal corner measure the distance from the ceiling guideline to the corner of the ceiling and wall angle, then mark a point along the ceiling edge of the cornice, from the squared line, equal to this distance. Form the cutting line by joining this point with the point of the squared line on the wall edge of the cornice and cut with a medium saw blade. Repeat for cornice on adjacent wall. Repeat this procedure for external corners, but for the cutting line mark off a point along the wall edge of the cornice instead of the ceiling edge, and then join it with the point of the squared line on the ceiling edge.

If our mitre block is to be used: Place the Cornice in the Mitre block ready for cutting at the same angle/dimensions as stated in brochure for that Cornice, noting: that the wall of the mitre block carries the wall Cornice measurement and the base of the block will carry the ceiling measurement i.e. Cornice is cut upside down in the block to how it will be fitted in the room.

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Cut the Cornice to length and mitre it! Hammer nails into the chalked guidelines on the walls at intervals to help support the weight when fitting. We only recommend the use of Gyproc Cove adhesive for fitting our range of Cornice. (1kg of adhesive is sufficient to fix 3mtrs (10ft) and requires approximately 400ml (<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> pint) of clean water, mixed to a thickened cream it will remain usable for about 30-40 mins.

Apply the adhesive to the two members that will be in contact with the wall and ceiling, along the length of the cove. Offer up the Cornice and push firmly and evenly into position between the marked guidelines. Two people are required if the length exceeds 2mtrs. Remove any excess adhesive and use it to make good the joints and mitres. Finally, sponge down and make good the joints. Please note that nails or screws can be used to drive into the cornice for extra support if needed, taking care not to harm any pipes or cables.

The Cornice can be painted with a good quality acrylic primer thinned down to manufacturer's instructions, as for new plasterwork. We recommend Dulux and Leyland paints.

Disclaimer the above instructions are for guideline purposes only, and if at all not sure please seek professional help or call Lancashire plaster products for advice.