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FIXING PLAQUES TO WALLS

METHOD STATEMENT

I locate and mark two positions on the wall for a secure fixing. Check that these are level with a spirit level. I also locate two matching positions on the rear top of the plaque.

Access to power will be needed. I drill the plaque to a depth to take a secure fixing, and having removed all dust, insert two stainless steel threaded dowels and fix these in with a two-part stone adhesive (Harbro Strongbond). I make sure as the glue hardens that the dowels remain square to the plaque.

I drill the wall to take the dowels to a secure depth, and when I have removed the dust and when the dowels have set firm, I position the plaque on the wall and check for level. Having made any necessary adjustments (by enlarging slightly one of the holes), I then, locate a third fixing toward the bottom of the plaque in a central position and fix a third dowel into the rear of the plaque and drill a hole to take it.

The dowels will be approximately 65mm with 15mm in the plaque and 50mm in the wall.

When I am satisfied, that the position is correct, I then fill the holes in the wall with stone adhesive and insert the plaque again for a permanent fixing.

Throughout the process I keep the front and sides of the plaque covered to avoid scratches and dirty marks from glue and sweat. When I have cleaned up, I remove the cover and if necessary give the plaque a wipe-over with a moist cloth.

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