

Wire



Picture wire is braided or coated like Zerlon. Both come in 5-lb spools of various gauge (# of strands) and breaking points. Manufacturers stress-test the lateral pull to arrive at breaking point strengths. The general rule is to use wire with a breaking point 3-4 times the weight of the picture.

Mirrors should be hung with mirror cord or preferably for safety reasons consider bolts or cleats.

Mount your wire spools on dowels at the end of the fitting table to make wiring the hangers much easier. Pass the wire through the eye once on small pieces, twice on heavy ones, leaving about 4" for twirling. You can use crimping sleeves or tapes for covering the wire ends. Pull the wire to the opposite hanger and leave another 4" plus enough for slack: the wire should reach somewhere in the area between 1 1/2" above the screw eyes and below the top of the frame. Provide your customer with two wall hooks for the large pictures and advise them to space the hangers several inches apart. Add bumpers on the bottom corners for circulation and to protect the wall and you're done.

Breaking Point

S1101 #1 Wire 5lb.	10lbs.
S1102 #2 Wire 5lb.	15lbs.
S1103 #3 Wire 5lb.	20lbs.
S1106 #6 Wire 5lb.	35lbs.
S1107 #2 Zerlon Wire 5lb.	18lbs.
S1108 #3 Zerlon Wire 5lb.	20lbs.
S1109 #4 Zerlon Wire 5lb.	25lbs.
S1111 Super Max Zerlon Wire	42lbs.