

## **APPLICATION, DRY-READY-TO-APPLY**

The dry method requires greater expertise, but is more reliable and achieves longer lasting results. This is usually the favored method as adhesion is immediate and instantly successful. Dry application is recommended for uneven, textured or non-flat application surfaces as well as decals subject to freezing conditions within several days of application.

### **Recommended Tools:**

- Clean Spray Bottle
- Mild Soap
- Clean, Dry, Lint-Free Cloths or Paper Towels
- Isopropyl Alcohol
- Tape Measure
- Pencil
- Masking or Painter's Tape
- Scissors or Exacto Knife
- Squeegee (Plastic Applicator)

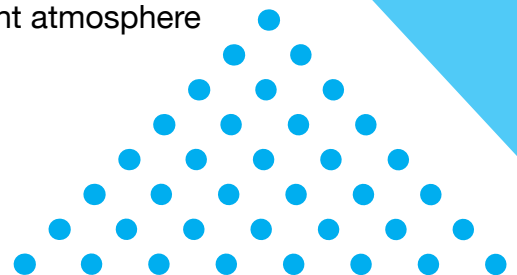
### **Surface Preparation:**

If the surface has dirt or other loose debris on it, this is what the decal will adhere to, not the surface itself. If the decal does not make enough contact with a clean dry surface, it will not stick well, leading to premature lifting/failure.

The entire surface has to be thoroughly cleaned before applying the adhesive decal, even if it may look clean. Use mild soap with warm water, then rinse with water. Dry the area with a clean, lint-free cloth or paper towel. Wipe down the entire area again with isopropyl alcohol to remove any contaminants. Be sure that any rivets or seams are thoroughly dry.

### **Application Temperature:**

For best results, the application surface and the surrounding ambient atmosphere should be 10°C (>50°F)



## Application Process:

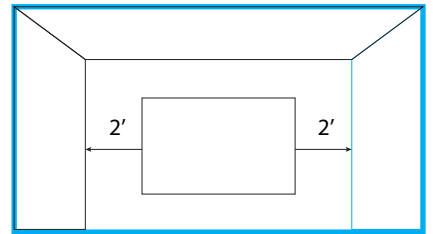
1. Clean and dry the application surface.

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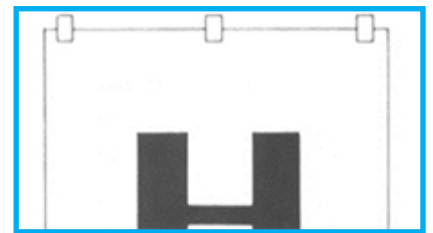
2. Determine the location where you want the decal to go. Use a tape measure and a pencil to help centre the decal in the space available. Mark the desired decal position.

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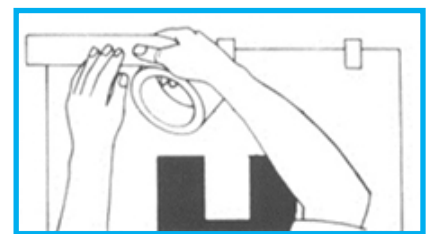
3. Secure along the top with strips of masking tape.

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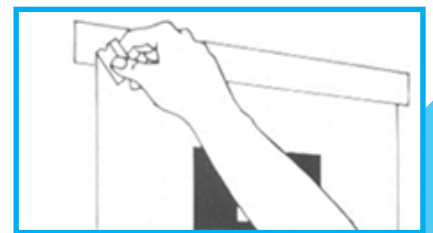
4. Apply a strip of masking tape horizontally across the top of the decal. This creates a hinge to hold the decal in place.

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5. Cut through the hinge at both edges to allow for lifting the decal.

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6. Lift the decal over the top hinge and slowly peel the release liner away from the hinge to expose the adhesive surface.

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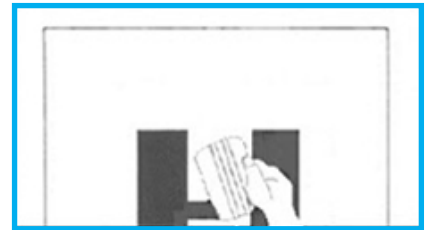
7. Hold the decal away from the surface with one hand and allow the adhesive to touch only as pressure is applied. Starting at the top hinge slowly adhere the decal by using firm, overlapping strokes with the squeegee and working from the centre outwards towards each edge.

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8. Continue to pull the liner away and work downward until the entire decal has been applied and the liner has been completely removed.

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9. Wait up to 30 minutes to remove the application tape. Starting from a corner, slowly peel away the application tape directly across itself at a 180° angle. If you see some vinyl start to come up with the application tape, lay it back down, squeegee and try again.

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10. Once all the application tape has been removed, carefully repeat the squeegee process, paying special attention to the edges.

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