DECAL APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Storage:

• Store graphics flat in a cool place. Do not store in direct sunlight. Premasked graphics should be used within one year of purchase.

Temperature:

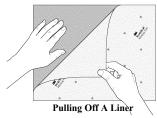
• Temperature is critical. For best results, decals should be applied when air and surface temperatures are between 60°F - 75°F. If possible, store decals in air-conditioned room prior application.

Surface Preparation:

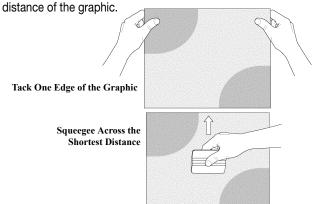
- A clean, dry surface is extremely important to ensure proper bonding of the decal to the surface.
- Wipe the vehicle's surface with isopropyl alcohol, Prep-Sol or other residue-free cleaner to ensure good initial adhesion of the decal.
- Dry the surface with a clean, lint-free cloth.

Application:

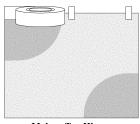
- No need for water and soap during the application process.
- Place the decal face-down on a clean, flat surface and slowly peel back the backing-paper from a corner of the film. Carefully pull the backing-paper away from the decal at a 180° angle.



• Position the decal on the surface. Masking tape can be used to hold the graphic in place. Squeegee in place across the shortest distance of the graphic



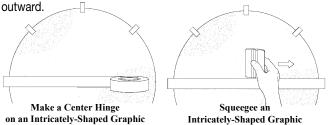
• For large graphics, top hinge method is recommended. Position the graphic and apply strip of tape across the top. Raise the graphic up over the top of the hinge and peel the liner back a few inches. Begin squeegeeing at the center and remove the liner as you squeegee in place.



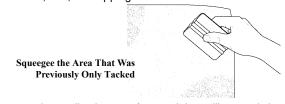
Make a Top Hinge

• For irregular shaped graphics, center hinge method is recommended. Position the graphic and hold in place with small pieces of tape. Apply two layers of masking tape through center of the graphic to make a hinge. Hinge should be perpendicular to the longest distance. Fold half of the graphic back over the hinge and peel off the liner all the way to the tape hinge. Then cut just the liner along the hinge and discard. Begin squeegeeing at the center and work

Squeegee a Top Hinged Graphic

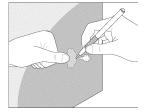


• Using a plastic squeegee, press the decal firmly to the surface. Use vertical, firm, overlapping strokes.



- Remove the application tape/premask by pulling gently in a downward position. If part of the decal starts to pull away from the surface, rub it back down while the tape is still on, then continue to remove the application tape.
- Re-squeegee the decal's entire surface to obtain maximum adhesion to the surface and to remove all air bubbles and wrinkles.
- Work out any air bubbles by using a straight pin to puncture the bubble at its edge. Use fingernail or squeegee to force air out through the small hole made in the vinyl film.





Puncturing and Rubbing Out a Bubble

Questions:

If you have questions about or any problems with decal application, please call Lowen Color Graphics at 800-835-2365 and ask for Customer Service.

