



## VINYL GRAPHICS *Installation Guide*

### 1. General Guidelines:

Take a few minutes to prepare your work area and assemble a few common tools you'll need to assist you in your decal application. Please read this installation guide from beginning to end to familiarize yourself with all the steps in the process.

Items included in your installation kit:

1. Plastic Squeegee.
2. Preparation Fluid (Orange Label) - used to clean and remove any dirt, grease, wax or silicone from the surface of the motorcycle.
3. Application Fluid (Green Label) - used to correctly position your decal on the bike and eliminate any air bubbles under the decal.
4. Automotive grade lint-free towels (8).
5. Installation Guide.

Additional things you will need to insure a successful installation:

1. A clean, uncluttered work area.
2. 1 inch masking tape.
3. A clean, flat work surface (a portable table is fine as long as it is sturdy).
4. A pen or pencil.
5. A tape measure or ruler.

A few things to avoid:

1. Never apply decals to a motorcycle which has been sitting in the hot sun. Move the bike into a shady area or garage and allow time to cool.

2. Never apply decals to a motorcycle in windy conditions.
3. Never apply decals if the temperature is above 90° F or below 50° F.

Your Pinstripe Decals have been supplied to you with a paper covering called a premask. This premask tape allows you to lift the decal from the backing paper without touching the adhesive on the underside of the decal.



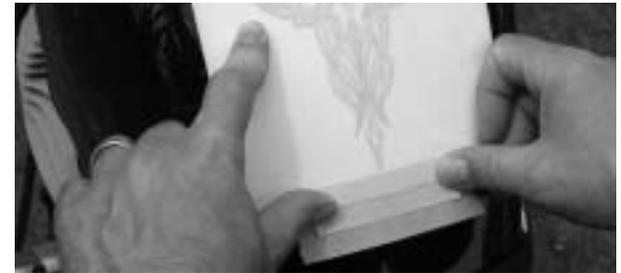
Begin by preparing the surface of the motorcycle to be decorated by spraying liberally with Preparation Fluid (Orange Label) and wiping vigorously with one of the blue lint-free towels supplied with the kit. Prepare all the surfaces which you intend to apply decals to at the same time. If you wax your bike frequently or have waxed it recently, it is also necessary to clean it thoroughly with wax and grease remover such as Prep-Sol available at any auto supply store.



Place a piece of masking tape horizontal to the panel and mark the center by measuring from the edges of the tank. This Sportster tank is easy because it has a center rib, but most tanks don't. You can use a measuring tape from the bottom edges of the tank and divide by 2 to find the center and mark it. You may have to test fit the decal to determine how far down the tank or fender to place this tape. Note also that this decal had to be cut out to allow room for the gas cap, but most of our decals don't.



Position the graphic where you want it to be on the bike. Tape it in position if you need to. Take your time at this phase - where you position the decal is where it will end up. You can measure from the edges of the gas cap to make sure the decal is centered.



Next, you'll place a piece of masking tape at the bottom, along the straight edge of the premask and backing paper. This tape acts as a hinge and allows you to remove the backing paper while keeping the decal in position.



Release the graphic from the base by peeling backwards away from itself. Hold onto the backing paper as you do this. Notice that I have the spray bottle of Application Fluid in my hand for the next step.



Peel the graphic all the way back and remove the base. Save the base for burnishing later.



Holding decal away from motorcycle, spray liberally with Application Fluid (Green Label) on both the surface of the bike and the decal. This is important to prevent a haze under the decal.



Lay the decal down and begin to squeegee it to the surface of the bike in a sweeping motion from the hinge, upward and outward with strong pressure.



Spray the face of the decal with more Application Fluid. This helps release the adhesive from the decal and makes removal of the premask tape easier.



Begin removing the premask application tape by pulling it directly back against itself at 180° angle.



Continue pulling tape back to expose the entire decal. After removing the application tape completely, you can use the backing paper you saved earlier to burnish any

remaining fluid from under the decal. Use quite a bit of pressure to force all the fluid out. Use one of the supplied towels to clean any excess fluid from around the decal, being careful around the edges so as not to lift a corner inadvertently.



The finished product. Awesome, isn't it?



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