

## **Removing Current Graphics**

1. Choose the right day

The temperature to be at least 45 degrees Fahrenheit, though 60 degrees or warmer is preferred for both removal and installation. Humidity above 90% can negatively affect decal install.

2. Peel off the old graphic

Wedge a plastic squeegee or card between the decal and the surface using a consistent, slight pressure and a back-and-forth motion. When enough of the graphic has been peeled away, grab onto it and tug the remainder of the graphic off.

 Scrape off any remaining bits of decal If needed, use a quality scraping razor the same way you used the squeegee to remove any stubborn bits of decal. A rag and hot water can be used to heat the decal and make the adhesive easier to remove.

## NEVER use heat to remove decals near flammable objects like a fuel tank or flammable substances.

 Remove the remaining adhesive residue Some residue can be removed with a soapy cloth and squeegee while some material, especially polycarbonate overlays, may require an adhesive removing agent such as rubbing alcohol, acetone, Goo Gone, or Rapid Remover.

Please note that removing agents may damage surfaces. Some installation professionals recommend using a thin layer of peanut butter on adhesive residue overnight as the high fat content effectively dissolves adhesive.

5. Give the area a final wash Wipe the adhesive-free surface with a damp cloth, and dry the area, removing any excess residue or dirt. For the best results, use a petroleum-based or automotive-grade cleaner and wax remover.

## **Installing New Graphics**

1. Prepare the surface

After your surface has been cleaned and dried, wipe it with 70% or higher isopropyl alcohol using a lint-free cloth.

2. Position the graphic

Remove the entire backing of the graphic, and tack the decal in position with minimal thumb pressure in the upper corners only.

3. Adhere the graphic

Using a plastic squeegee and firm pressure, start at the center of the decal and slide the squeegee outward to the edges in each direction, removing wrinkles and air pockets. Run the squeegee around all four edges with very firm pressure to ensure a complete seal.

If vinyl graphics have any air bubbles, poke a hole in the bubble with a pin, and smooth the decal out with your finger or a squeegee.