

Applying Custom Decals

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DECALS FOR PIANOS

One of the most pleasing aspects of using our pressure sensitive decal is the ease and simplicity with which it can be applied. All that's needed are cleaning supplies, a tape measure or ruler, masking tape and a squeegee (Burnishing tool). There's no easier or quicker decal to apply.

These are the steps involved:

Clean the surface thoroughly with a soft cloth and cleaning solution (rubbing alcohol works very well) to remove oils, dust, dirt, etc. Be sure your hands are clean and free of oil and perspiration.

Measure to mark the correct placement of the decal to ensure it is straight and properly placed. If the decal is to be centered, mark the center of the application surface using tape and mark the center of the decal (see photo #1). Align both center marks and tape the top edge of the decal in place (see photo #2).

The tape acts as a "hinge" on the top of the decal. Hinge the decal up and fold back by lifting the bottom edge to expose the backing paper (see photo #3). Remove the backing paper (save this paper for step #7) to expose the adhesive on the back of the decal (see photo #4).

While holding the decal out to avoid contact with the application surface, begin firmly burnishing from the top center to the sides (right & left) with the squeegee (burnishing tool). Work from the top of the decal down. Be careful to let the adhesive touch only as the squeegee presses it against the surface (see photo #5).

Slowly remove the application tape covering the front of the decal. Peel the tape off at a 180o angle (see photo #6). You will be pulling the tape back over itself.

When removing the application tape be very careful with small letters, dots at the top of "I" and periods ".".
Because these things are small they have a small amount of adhesive on the back.

If you used tape to mark the proper location of the decal, remove the tape at this point (see tape in photo #7).

Resqueegee (re-burnish), if necessary. Place the backing paper from step #3 over the decal and burnish the entire decal again. The finished decal is clean, crisp, properly spaced, permanent and attractive.

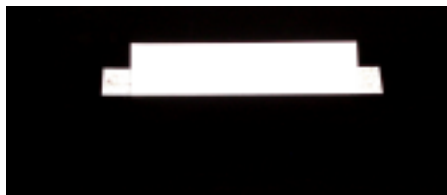
You may finish over the decal, if you wish. Carefully spray, one or two, light mist coats of clear finish over the decal. After the mist coats have dried thoroughly, you may apply the finish coat in the usual manner.



#1. Application materials, note placement tape and decal have centers marked.



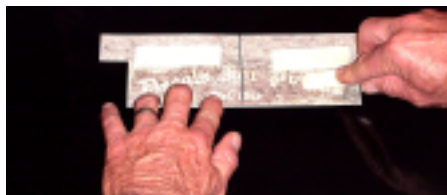
#2. Masking tape at top edge of decal holds the decal in place and acts as a hinge.



#3. Using the tape as a hinge, fold the decal up to expose the backing paper.



#4. Remove the release liner (backing paper) to expose the back of the decal.



#5. Firmly burnish each letter of the decal, start at top, work from the center out.



#6. Slowly remove the tape covering the decal. Carefully pull the tape back over itself.



#7. Slowly remove the last piece of tape used to mark the proper location of the decal.



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