

Pinstriping Mask Instructions

SURFACE PREPARATION

All surfaces should be considered dirty and should be cleaned prior to application of vinyl lettering or graphics. Clean the area where the vinyl will be applied. Rubbing alcohol is preferable. Then, rinse area thoroughly and dry.

TEMPERATURE REQUIREMENTS

Air and application surface should be above 40 degrees F. Best conditions are between 60 – 80 degrees F.

TOOLS NEEDED

- Masking Tape
- Scissors and/or Razor blade
- Squeegee (credit card will do)
- Tape measure
- Friend to help.

APPLICATION

1. Cut off excess vinyl around edge of mask as required and discard.
2. Locate mask on surface and hold in place with masking tape. Measure from Top and bottom and side to side to ensure mask is exactly where you want it.



3. Start peeling off the backing and remove half of the backing paper with your scissors.



4. Adhere the mask to the surface and gently smooth into position working from the center outward using your squeegee.
5. Remove masking tape and then the remainder of the backing paper.
6. Adhere the remainder of the mask to the surface and gently smooth into position
7. Smooth down the whole image to ensure mask is properly adhered.
8. Remove Pre-mask paper from the top of the pattern. Always pull the Pre-Mask back at 180 degrees to itself. If mask begins to pickup Stop, replace the tape, squeegee some more.



9. Using your squeegee ensure all edges are smooth down well so that paint will not run under the edges.
10. Mix up paint and apply it carefully to the pattern. Try to be neat and practice your pinstriping techniques.



11. Use multiple colors if desired. Note that you can use these templates with an Airbrush but a regular brush will give it that hand painted appearance.
12. When you are done painting, paint a small area on the mask to use as a test area for testing dryness.
13. Let your paint dry until it becomes tacky (do not let it completely dry) using your test area to test dryness.
14. When the paint is tacky slowly peel the mask off at 180 degrees to itself. Be very careful to Not touch the painted areas



15. Now sit back and admire you finished project.

