

Applying vehicle graphics

Position, apply and finish your vehicle graphics with confidence.

Read the complete guide before removing any backing paper. Large or complex graphics are easier to apply with a second person.

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Dry position the graphic

Hold the graphic in place with low-tack masking tape. Measure from repeatable panel edges and check both sides before fixing the hinge.

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Create a tape hinge

Run masking tape along a straight section through the graphic. This keeps alignment while you remove the backing paper from one section at a time.

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Apply with overlapping strokes

Use a felt-edged squeegee at roughly 45 degrees. Work from the centre outwards using firm, overlapping strokes to exclude air.

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Remove application tape

Peel the application tape back slowly at a low angle. If vinyl lifts, replace the tape and press the area again before continuing.

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Finish, check and allow to settle

Check every edge and panel break. Use controlled heat only where the instructions allow it. Keep the vehicle dry and avoid pressure washing for at least 48 hours after fitting.

Stop and contact RCG if alignment, adhesion or surface condition is uncertain. Do not force the material into deep recesses unless the product is specified for that application.

This guide provides general application information. Always follow the instructions supplied with your specific graphics kit. Contact RCG before fitting if the paint is fresh, repaired, damaged or ceramic coated.