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# NEKOOSA GLASS FINISHES

WINDOW GRAPHICS INSTALLATION & REMOVAL

Our Nekoosa Glass Finishes<sup>™</sup> products are specifically designed for window and glass applications. The following are step-by-step guidelines that will take you through a successful, trouble-free installation and removal.

# **BEFORE GETTING STARTED –**

#### MAKE A WETTING SOLUTION

For a smooth installation, it's important to make a wetting solution. To make a solution, simply by add 8-10 drops of a mild dish soap (Dawn or Joy) to a 32-oz. spray bottle filled with clean water. Adjust ratio as needed. Mix well.

#### **CREATE A CLEAN, SMOOTH SURFACE**

For proper adhesion, the surface must be free of dirt, grease, oils and other debris that may interfere with the quality of the installation. Spray the glass with the wetting solution and drag a single-edge razor across the surface. If you hear a clicking sound, it is an indication that there is debris on the surface, which will prevent full adhesion. Use a non-scratch scrub pad to remove the debris and wipe clean with a lint-free towel.

#### MAKE A WORKSPACE

Clear off a large, flat surface for measuring, cutting and prepping the film. Do not run a fan near the prep or installation area. This can cause dust and debris to blow onto the film.

#### Easy to apply and remove from these surfaces:



### · Lint-free towel

· Graphics squeegee

**TOOLS YOU WILL NEED** 

· Non-scratch scrub pad

· Single-edge razor

· Tape measure

• Spray bottle, mild dish soap and water

· Wetting solution

- · Hard card
- · Optional: RTape Application Tape
  - Conform<sup>®</sup> 4075RLA
  - ∘ ApliTape<sup>™</sup> 4075
  - Clear Choice® AT65

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# **INSTRUCTIONS –**

#### **MEASURE AND CUT**

Measure the height and width of the desired surface. Cut the film to the dimensions, leaving an extra ½inch to 1 inch around all sides. You'll trim the excess material in the final steps.

#### FILM PREP

Lay the film on a large, flat surface with the liner facing upwards. Slowly peel back the liner, wetting the adhesive side of the film thoroughly as you peel down. After you remove the liner, make sure your fingers are wet before handling the film to prevent fingerprint markings.

#### WET THE SURFACE AND FILM

Thoroughly spray the surface as well as the adhesive side of the film with the wetting solution. This will help to apply and reposition the film. Don't be afraid to use plenty of water, as any excess water will evaporate as the film fully adheres.

#### **APPLY THE FILM**

Pick up the film by the top corners, keeping it straight and level. Place the wet film onto the wet surface, keeping the top edge level. Move, slide and reposition the film as needed. The water should allow it to move and adjust easily.

#### SMOOTH IT OUT

Wet the outside of the film with the wetting solution, then slide a squeegee over the wet film to smooth out. Squeegee the film starting from the center and moving outwards, pushing bubbles and excess water out as you go.

#### **USE AN APPLICATION TAPE**

Application tape can be used for applying Nekoosa Glass Finishes™ using a high-tack tape, such as Conform<sup>®</sup> 4075RLA, ApliTape<sup>™</sup> 4075 or Clear Choice<sup>®</sup> AT65. If application tape is being used, remove it by peeling at 180 degrees against itself. Re-squeegee entire graphic.

#### TRIM EXCESS MATERIAL

Double check that the film is flat and smooth. To ensure there are no bubbles remaining, use a hard card to push the bubbles towards the edge. Then, in one continuous motion, trim the excess film from the edges using the hard card and a razor knife.

#### FINISH

Wrap the hard card in a paper towel and use it to push any remaining bubbles and water to the outside edge. The film will completely dry and fully adhere within a few days.

#### **REMOVAL PROCESS**

Remove the glass film by lifting one edge with sharp knife or razor blade and peeling back at a sharp angle. Use consistent, smooth force to continue to peel off the graphics. For larger graphics, the edge can be slit and allowed to tear, so that the graphics can be removed in sections. If any residual adhesive that does stick to surface, use Isopropyl Alcohol to remove.





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