

Quadratec® Premium Vinyl Graphics for Jeep® Vehicles

Installation Guide: For Large Format Graphics

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Prepare your vehicle:

Clean your vehicle to remove all dirt and debris. **DO NOT APPLY WAX.** For best results, use a clay bar to clean the area where you'll install the decal. We recommend you perform the decal installation indoors because even a light wind can make installation very difficult. If you must work outdoors, be sure your vehicle is not in direct sunlight and blocked from wind.

Choose “wet” mount or “dry” mount:

RECOMMENDED: Wet Mounting a decal is the process by which you spray the vehicle and decal with an easy-to-mix mounting solution before installation. This gives you the added benefit of being able to move the decal to the exact position where you want it to be. Dry mounting is much simpler, you peel and stick. The disadvantage to dry

mounting is that you only get one chance to position the decal where you want it. Once the adhesive on the decal touches the vehicle, it's **very** difficult to remove without damaging the decal.

A word about vinyl decals:

Your vinyl decal is sandwiched between two layers of paper: a backing paper and transfer paper. The backing paper is thick and opaque. It protects the adhesive on the vinyl decal from being damaged. The transfer paper is thin and translucent. It's meant to keep all the pieces of your decal in place while you transfer it onto your vehicle.

When you're ready to install your decal, you'll peel the backing paper off while the decal remains stuck to the transfer paper. The transfer paper lets you transfer the decal to your vehicle.

NOTICE

FOR BEST RESULTS, USE A GENEROUS AMOUNT OF MOUNTING SOLUTION. LARGER GRAPHICS ARE EASIER TO APPLY WITH THE HELP OF ANOTHER PERSON TO HOLD DECAL.



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Wet Mount Vinyl Decal Installation



Wet mounting a vinyl decal:

- 1. Lay the decal on a flat table and smooth the decal with the included squeegee. Running the squeegee over the decal helps to ensure the transfer paper is properly stuck to the decal.*
- 2. Carefully peel the backing paper off the decal and be sure the decal remains stuck to the transfer paper.*
- 3. Spray the area where you'll install the decal with mounting solution. (see last page for how to mix mounting solution) Don't be afraid to use a lot.*
- 4. Spray the decal itself with mounting solution. Again, Don't be shy with it.*
- 5. Lightly place the decal on the vehicle where you'd like it to be, but don't press it on yet.*
- 6. Position the decal exactly where you want it by pulling on the edges of the transfer paper.*
- 7. Use a squeegee to push the liquid out from behind the decal. Use a paper towel to soak up any mounting solution that comes out.*
- 8. Repeat step 7 several times with firm pressure to make sure all of the mounting solution has been pushed out and all bubbles are pushed from the center of the decal out.*
- 9. After about 10 minutes, begin to slowly pull back the transfer paper. As you pull, the transfer paper should release from the decal, leaving it stuck to the vehicle. If it does not release, place the transfer paper back over the decal and repeat step 8.*
- 10. When the transfer paper is fully removed, you're done! Enjoy the new look of your vehicle!*



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Dry Mount Vinyl Decal Installation



Dry mounting a vinyl decal:

1. Lay the decal on a flat table and smooth the decal with the included squeegee. Running the squeegee over the decal helps to ensure the transfer paper is properly stuck to the decal.

2. Carefully peel the backing paper off the decal and be sure the decal remains stuck to the transfer paper.

3. Two people should hold the decal over the area where it will be installed. Be careful not to let it touch the vehicle.

4. When you have the decal where you want it, allow one edge to touch the vehicle first, then slowly lay down the other edges until the entire decal is placed on the vehicle.

5. Using a squeegee, start at the center of the decal and pull toward the edge with light pressure. Work your way around the decal until you've pressed the entire decal into place.

6. Repeat step 5 with firm pressure.

7. Slowly pull back the transfer paper. As you pull, the transfer paper will release from the decal, leaving it stuck to the vehicle.



8. Enjoy the new look of your vehicle!



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Vinyl Decal Helpful Hints

Caring for your vinyl decal

Once the decal is installed onto your vehicle, it will last for many years with some proper care.

- 1. Never use a high pressure washer directly on the decal.*
- 2. You can clean your decal with soapy water using a soft sponge (like the kind you'd use to clean the rest of your vehicle).*



Tip: Make your own vinyl decal wet mounting solution

Mounting solution is a mixture of 16 oz. water with 2 drops of baby shampoo.

- 1. Fill a spray bottle with 16 oz. (2 cups) of water.*
- 2. Add 2 large drops of baby shampoo to the bottle.*
- 3. Screw on the top of the spray bottle and shake well.*



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