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Decorative Vinyl Lettering Application Instructions

For all applications, take advantage of the benefits of using a laser level tool, measuring tape, and a pencil to be sure to get your lettering where you want it – it takes longer to mark your place than it does to “eye it,” but the results are much better! Remember, you can only apply vinyl lettering one time, so take your time and be careful as you apply. Be sure to apply to clean, dry surfaces only; consider washing your walls or other surfaces with warm water and a lint-free cloth. For glass surfaces, use only ammonia-free cleaners. Ammonia leaves a residue which will reduce the adhesion.

Before following the steps to apply your vinyl lettering, place your project face up on a hard flat surface. If your lettering was shipped, allow it some time to uncurl. Once uncurled, turn over so you can see the grid. Take a ruler or a credit card and "rub" all the letters down with medium pressure, with extra care along all the letter edges especially if your lettering is thin. This will help release the letters from the wax paper backing.

If you have problems or questions while applying your vinyl, please call Kim at 208-520-7100.



Step 1:

After making your markings with your laser level and tape measure, place your quote (still fully assembled) up on the wall using masking tape. Be certain that it is exactly where you want it. Two-inch wide masking tape works better for larger, heavier quotes.

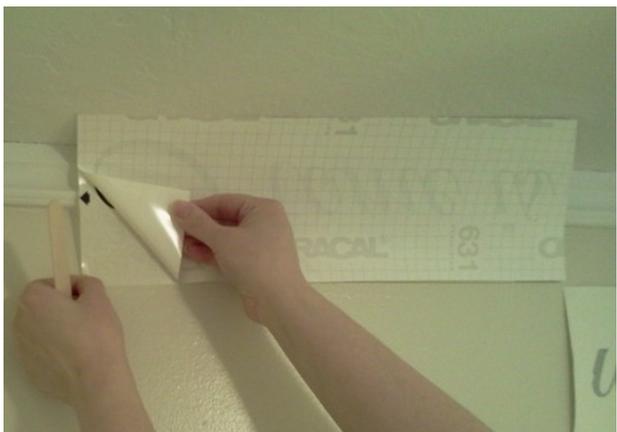
We may have added arrows or lines for your convenience in properly lining up your quote.



Step 2:

If your quote is particularly large, then cut it into separate sections with a pair of scissors while it is up on the wall. This is a good idea for quotes taller than 6 inches or longer than 5 feet.

*Hint: If you have a multi-lined quote, tape completely along the top and bottom of the quote, then cut horizontally between the middle lines. Then cut vertically between the words, making sure each section is still taped to the wall where it belongs.



Step 3:

Flip the first piece up against the wall.



Step 4:

Peel away the white wax paper from the transfer tape. (The transfer tape looks like masking tape.) The lettering should stay on the transfer tape as you do this. If it stays stuck to the wax paper, rub it a little bit with your finger, ruler or credit card.

*Hint: Extra small or thin fonts have a tendency to stay on the wax paper. Where the letter won't let go of the wax paper, fold or crease the wax paper. The letter will "pop off" the wax paper. Use your finger to smooth it onto the transfer tape and move to the next letter.



Step 5:

After the wax paper has been discarded, lay the transfer tape down against the wall very carefully to ensure there are no bubbles. Starting in the middle, smooth it against the wall with your hands.



Step 6:

Starting in the middle of your quote or section of quote, use your ruler or credit card to smooth down the letters to your surface. Move your applicator in a downward angle, and move toward the outside of your quote. If your walls are perfectly flat, this is a very quick step. If your walls have a texture, such as knock-down, this will take more pressure on your part.

Repeat steps 3-6 for each section.



Step 7:

Remove your masking tape.

Beginning at one end, start peeling away the transfer tape. Begin at a corner and pull down, straight back along the wall, at an angle. Do this slowly. If a letter pulls away from the wall, push the transfer tape back over it and rub it some more with your finger as needed.

*Hint: Do not pull at a 90 degree angle. This will pull the letters off the wall. Peel straight back so your fingers are actually touching the wall as you are peeling. (See picture)

*Another Hint: If your wall has any sort of texture, you will need to do this very carefully and take your time. Matte vinyl has a harder time sticking to textured walls. If needed, use your fingers to hold the edge of the letter down while peeling the transfer tape. Once the transfer tape is off the letter, smooth the letter down with your fingers to ensure full adhesion.

Step 8:

Remove any marks such as arrows or lines that are not part of the actual quote.

Step 9:

Enjoy your new Vinyl Wall Art!

More Hints: After applying matte vinyl to a textured surface, you can use your hair dryer to heat the letters a little and rub them with your fingers to secure the letters more permanently. If you are having problems getting matte vinyl to stick on a textured surface in the first place, you can use the hair dryer to warm up the letters while applying them. Once applied, you can also use decoupage glue (or slightly watered down Elmer's glue) for extra adhesion.