

Water Slide Decal Application:

Before you begin; you will need a very sharp pair of scissors or a small razor blade knife and a damp paper towel or a damp soft cotton cloth. Make sure the surface that you wish to apply the decal to is clean. White or light-colored decals do not show very well against the light blue backing paper. **If your decals are very large or very small or very detailed, you may wish to apply a light coat of clear acrylic to the entire sheet and allow to completely dry before applying the decals.**

Cut out the image (s) fairly close to the actual design. Place the decal in lukewarm water for approximately 30 seconds. Hold the decal between your finger and thumb carefully to avoid tearing the image. You will begin to feel the printed image start to slide on the blue backing paper. This means it is ready to apply to your surface.

Carefully slide the image off the backing paper directly onto your clean surface. Use a clean damp cloth or paper towel to carefully and lightly smooth out any air bubbles and remove any excess water. Allow the decal to dry for about 2 to 3 hours.

You can protect the decal after you apply it to your workpiece by spraying a very light (dry -dusting) coat of clear acrylic and allow it to completely dry. Heavy coats or solvents may damage the image. Then apply your finish as usual. Also, for very small decals applying a very light coat of clear acrylic can be done before you cut them out and put them to your workpiece. This can help prevent damage to the decal during the application process.

