

# Wall Decal Instructions

## Please read

### 1. Surface preparation

It is most important that your wall surface is smooth, clean and dry. Ensure the wall has been thoroughly wiped to remove all dust or dirt before applying the decal.

IMPORTANT - Do not apply to textured surfaces as the decal will not adhere properly. If your wall is freshly painted allow at least four weeks for the paint to fully cure before you apply the decal.

### 2. Familiarise yourself with a Decal!

You will notice that there are three layers to the decal: The transfer tape (which is the semi opaque film on the front of the decal), the decal itself, and finally the white backing paper. Some Decals will require that you separate the various elements of the design by loosely cutting around them because you will not necessarily be sticking them in the configuration they arrive in.

### 3. Plan the position of the design

In order to obtain a layout and design that you are happy with, loosely tape your Decals into the desired position on the wall before beginning the application process. Now stand back to see if you are happy with the overall position and when you are, lightly mark the final position on your wall with a pencil.

NB While the Decals are removable, those with intricate designs are not relocatable so make certain you are satisfied with the position before continuing.

### 4. Squeegee action!

Lie the decal face up on a flat surface and with the palm of your hand, smooth out any wrinkles caused by storing the decal in the tube. When flat, firmly squeegee the entire surface to re-activate the adhesive properties. We emphasize that a strong and firm pressure with the squeegee is extremely important! This will ensure the decal has fully adhered to the clear transfer tape when you remove the backing paper.

### 5. Removing the backing paper

Now you can remove the white backing paper. With the decal still in a face down position, start in one corner and slowly peel away the backing paper leaving the decal stuck to the clear transfer tape. If any of the backing paper remains on the decal as you peel, stick back together, and press down before trying to peel apart again. A blade may be a useful tool to separate the paper from the decal in some areas.

### 6. Sticking the Decal to the wall

Start by lightly sticking the two upper corners of the transfer tape to the wall, stand back and double check the position. Once you are happy, smoothly press down the centre of the decal using a circular motion, gradually extending to the outer edges of the decal. This will help avoid bubbles and wrinkles in the middle of the Decal. Once it is stuck down, firmly squeegee over the entire Decal. If possible, please seek assistance from a second person when applying a large decal. NB If you are applying a large design and do not have the benefit of assistance, you may wish to only partially remove the backing paper so that the decal does not stick to itself. Once you have stuck a manageable size section of the decal to the wall you could then remove the balance of backing paper.

### 7. Removing the clear transfer tape

You are almost there! Slowly peel back the clear transfer tape starting at a corner. You should pull it in such a way that the clear tape is almost folded back upon itself. Pulling the tape off at a sharp angle may lift the decal from the wall. If the decal does begin to stick to the clear tape instead of the wall, simply stop pulling, re-press the decal back into place and start slowly peeling back the transfer tape again.

### 8. Final stage

Now your Decal is revealed! Deflate any small bubbles with a pin and then smooth over the entire surface with your hand or a soft cloth to ensure there are no lifting edges. That was easy! Within 45 minutes you have a great looking design that personalises your room and looks like it has been professionally painted! To keep it looking like this, from time to time run over the decal with a soft cloth, re-smoothing and ensuring complete adhesion.

### 9. To remove Decals

So it is time for a change? Check out Resene's range for new ideas and designs [online](#). To remove the Decals, carefully peel back an edge with your fingernail and slowly peel it off the wall. If it is a little hard to remove just gently heat it with a hair dryer and try again. Ripping the Decal off the wall could remove or damage the paintwork so it is important that you use care and even pressure.

Once the Decal has been removed your wall should be in the same condition as it was prior to application. Due to a variation in wall surfaces and environmental extremes (like direct light or heat), Image Vault cannot be responsible for any damage caused to your wall. Image Vault has scrupulously tested the products on their own walls with great results and has every confidence that if you follow the instructions carefully, that you will never have bare walls again.

Have fun!

If you have ANY questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to phone or email for advice or clarification

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