



JL BLACKOUT INSTALLATION

Our hood decals are cut on high quality vinyl. These instructions will help as a guideline for successful installation. If you are not confident with your ability to install this graphic please have it installed by a professional. There are many videos available on YouTube for hood decal installations. Each has its own technique. Our directions are based off what works best for us. We accept no liability for ruined decals. Be sure to clean the hood with hard detergent dish soap and alcohol to remove any wax the vehicle might have prior to install.

Tools Required:

- Decal Application Fluid (provided)
- Squeegee (provided)
- Utility Knife (provided)
- Flat head screw driver
- Cleaning Supplies (surface prep) dawn soap and alcohol
- 9MM socket and a wrench to remove hood bumps and windshield washers.
- A friend to help is STRONGLY recommended
- Patience

Directions:

1. Open the hood, ensure the engine is cool and the hood is cool to the touch.
2. Remove the heatshield using a flat head screw driver or a panel trim removal tool, go all the way around the to remove every plastic clip.

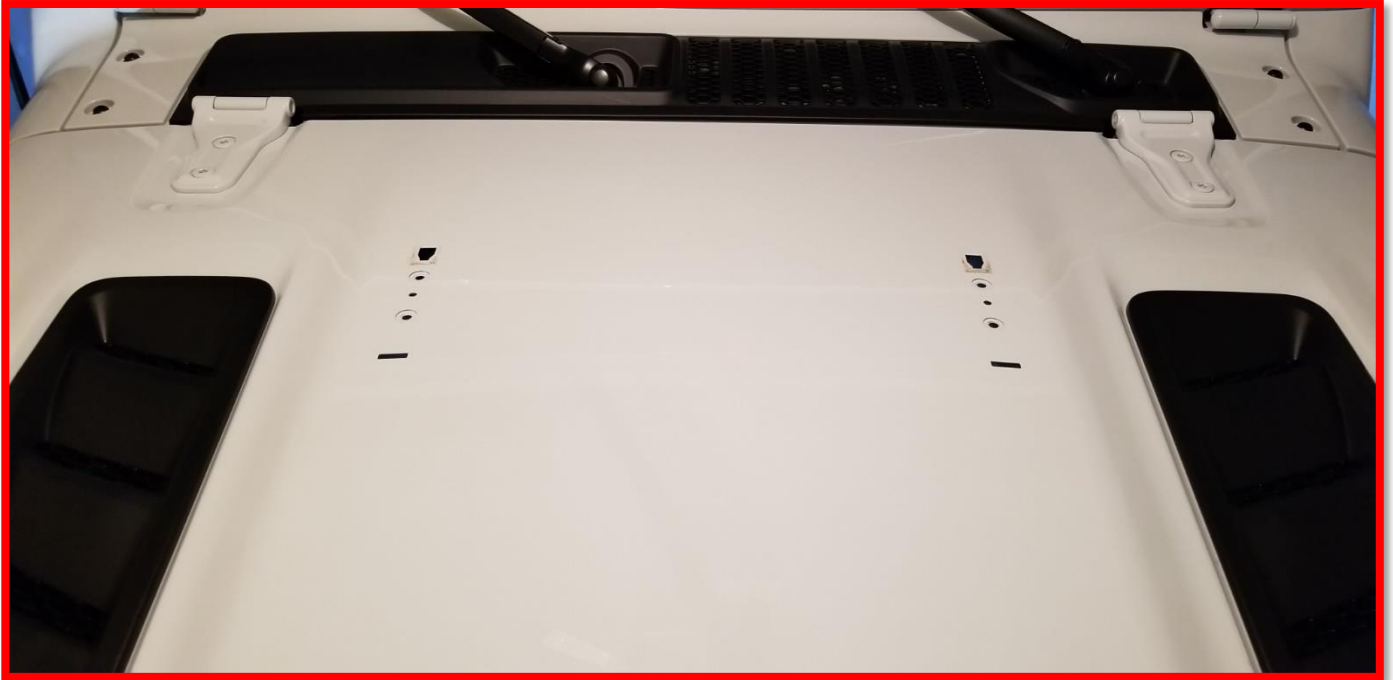




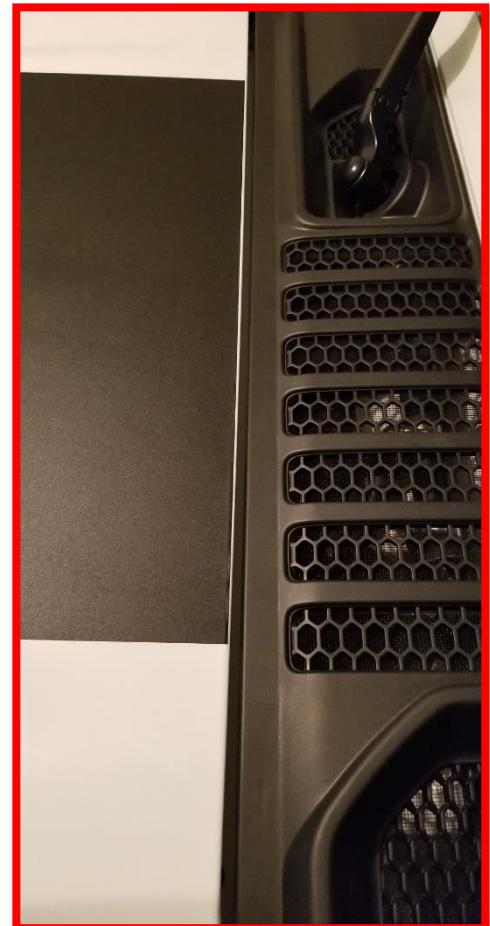
3. Once all the clips are moved gently lay the heatshield on top of the engine.
4. Disconnect the windshield spray nozzles from both sides of the sprayer.
5. Using a screw driver or your fingers push in on both sides of the nozzle and pop it out.
6. Using the 9mm socket remove the 2 bolts holding the hood bumper on.



7. Close the hood, place the blackout on top of the hood and start peeling back the vinyl on top of itself while praying application fluid on the tacky side of the blackout. Spray the hood with the application spray once the sticky side of the blackout has been thoroughly coated.



8. Line up the blackout where only 1/8th of an inch is showing from the back of the hood, while following the body lines of the hood.
9. Once you line it up, use the FELT side of the provided squeegee starting from the center lightly start working the application fluid out from under the blackout to the edges. Once most of the fluid is pushed out more pressure can be applied to the squeegee being careful not to crease the vinyl.
10. Once the decal has been applied with your finger feel for the holes where the bumpers where installed take the knife provided and cut small holes in the indentions.



11. Using the removed hardware reinstall the bumpers back on, tighten the 2 bolts, re-insert the spray nozzle and connect the sprayer hose back to the nozzle. Put the heatshield back up and secure it with the removed plastic clips.



12. Allow for 30 minutes to dry before driving.

TIPS:

- Do not install in extreme heat or cold, 50-80 degrees is ideal. A garage is the best atmosphere as it is shaded and protected from elements.
- When you apply pressure with the squeegee be sure to use light brisk movement not to crease the vinyl using the felt side of the squeegee.
- Hold squeegee at a 45 degree angle when applying the decal.
- Have a friend help you. This can be done solo but is MUCH easier with two.
- Application fluid is your friend. Make sure to use it generously on the hood and decal so that you can easily move you decal if needed while positioning.

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