

Avery Dennison[®] Instructional Bulletin 1.12 Cleaning of Anti Graffiti Overlaminates

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Introduction

Avery Dennison FasFit[™], DOL 4300 and DOL 6060 are overlaminating films that protect indoor and outdoor decals from permanent damage from graffiti. In this instructional bulletin we outline recommendations and points to be considered when removing graffiti from anti-graffiti films.

It is recommended that citrus-based graffiti removal fluids be used for the removal of graffiti without damaging Avery Dennison FasFit[™], DOL 4300 and DOL 6060 anti-graffiti films. These are readily available from supermarkets. As there are many types of paints used for graffiti, some cleaners may have more success than others. For extremely stubborn graffiti Isopropyl Alcohol (IPA) may be used sparingly.

Caution: When using solvents follow all manufacturers recommended procedures for OH & S.

Cleaning Process

1. Saturate a lint free non-abrasive pad or cloth with the graffiti remover.
2. Soak the area to be cleaned keeping away from edges and seams where the graffiti remover can penetrate into the adhesive.
3. Wipe off all excess liquid with a clean dry cloth to avoid staining.

The following factors must also be considered when removing graffiti:

- When using any graffiti removal liquids, manufacturers instructions for safe working practices must be followed.
- Material Safety Data Sheets must be obtained where possible.
- Cleaners are not to be used on graphics or decals unprotected by anti-graffiti film.
- Abrasive pads or cloth are not recommended.
- Care must be taken around edges and seams to avoid penetration of the liquid into the adhesive of the graphic.
- Graffiti removers should only be left on the surface long enough to obtain a satisfactory result.
- Graffiti remover must not be left to dry on the surface.
- Avoid using removers in direct sunlight or high temperatures.

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The above information provides basic information on how to apply pressure-sensitive graphics. The instructions are designed to help ensure success across a broad range of applications. Depending on the size and complexity of applications, a certain amount of expertise is needed.

Professional applicators can be hired to ensure proper application of finished graphics. When mounting graphics in remote geographic areas, professional applicators can offer the added benefit of local service.

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Consider hiring a professional whenever the application requires:

- Multiple panels to be registered
- Complex surfaces, such as rivet and corrugated trucks
- Harsh environmental conditions (i.e. outdoor applications in high heat climates)
- Remote geographic locations

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