



Overlap: Once the key panel is applied, the adjoining panel(s) are overlapped to ensure that the paint of the body remains covered for the duration of the install. If the panels were butted against each other they would separate over time. This is due to the fact that the film expands and contracts with temperature changes. The width of the overlap should be $\frac{3}{4}$ inch to 1-inch. An overlap smaller than $\frac{3}{4}$ inch runs the risk of coming up short, especially on vehicles that have compound curves and raised objects. An overlap bigger than 1-inch is overkill and unsightly.