



Tips, tricks and frequently asked questions about easy dot® films

Introduction

Neschen easy dot® is produced and designed with the easy dot® technology.

easy dot® technology offers the easiest way to apply graphics films with no bubbles, as well as to remove from most surfaces without residue.

easy dot® films can be applied by non-professionals because of its easy handling and processing- applying this film is clean, fast and efficient.

Printable using Latex, Solvent, UV and UV Gel inks.

Areas of application

easy dot® offers a variety of films designed for frequently changing graphics, such as in retail, restaurants, bars, event, exhibition and schools.

Cleaning and preparation of the application surface

Before applying easy dot® ensure the surface is completely smooth, clean, dry and in good condition before applying the film. Any contaminants (i.e. dirt, dust, and grease) or defects (i.e. loose paint) left on the substrate may cause loss of adhesion and reduce the graphics' durability and performance.

Repair any damage and remove any contaminants from the substrate to return them to a 'like new' condition. Substrates that are not properly repaired may cause poor graphic adhesion and cause further damage during graphics removal.

The following are some examples of substrates in need of attention/repair, with some tips on how to overcome them:

- Holes or incomplete patches **TIP:** patch, prime and paint.
- Overly textured paint **TIP:** smooth surface with sandpaper or scouring pad, then prime and paint.
- Chipped, loose, flaking or peeling paint **TIP:** scrape away loose paint, then prime and paint.
- Moisture **TIP:** Pay special attention to areas where condensation may occur.
- Wallpaper not securely bonded in all areas **TIP:** do not apply the film over wallpaper.
- Dust, dirt or other contaminates **TIP:** clean walls/windows of dust, dirt, grease and other contamination before applying the film.
- Contamination by other products that were not thoroughly cleaned from substrate **TIP:** clean surface thoroughly, returning substrate to a 'like new' condition.



Extra tip!

Always test adhesion and paint/adhesive compatibility before use.

To test adhesion, apply a small strip of the film in an inconspicuous area and leave in situation for 2–3 days.

Before applying the test strip, prepare the surface according to the instructions above.

easy dot® should be easy to remove without causing damage to the applied surface.

Limitations

Due to the wide variability of interior walls, sealants and paints, Neschen is unable to test every wall surface. However Neschen have tried and tested on smooth painted walls with excellent results.

Application

We recommend dry application of this film only. This is to avoid any accumulation of water in the air channels which could cause reduction of the adhesive strength.

Furthermore, we recommend the use of a very soft squeegee (felt/felt edge) and cotton gloves to avoid any unwelcome scratches and/or fingerprints on the surface of the film.

Due to the **easy dot®** technology, it is easy to reposition if required.

The film is easy to remove from nearly all substrates. If mounted on PVC surfaces it can leave adhesive residue when removing.

If the liner is saved, **easy dot®** can be removed and stored on the liner for later reinstallation.

Outdoor use

When using **easy dot®** we recommend sealing the edges to avoid direct contact between the easy dots and water. This can be done by overlapping the laminate or applying within a frame.

Other

- Always roll graphics print-side out, with a diameter of 3" or greater to prevent any tunnelling in the film.
- **easy dot®** can be contour cut, however, due to the dot pattern of the adhesive, smaller text/decals may not adhere as expected.
- Window graphics: works equally as well on glass, acrylic or polycarbonate.
- A better alternative for static cling vinyl, better adhesion and durability and can be installed easily by a novice without bubbles.