

TBR DECAL INSTRUCTION SHEET

DECAL APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS:

PREPARATION: PRIOR TO APPLYING YOUR TBR DECALS, USE ALCOHOL TO THOROUGHLY CLEAN YOUR GLAZED PIECE WHERE THE DECAL WILL BE PLACED.

APPLICATION: PLACE THE DECAL IN A BOWL OF **WARM WATER**. THE DECAL WILL CURL. LEAVE IT IN THE WATER UNTIL IT RELAXES (APPROXIMATELY 20 SECONDS). REMOVE THE DECAL FROM THE WATER. WITH THE USE OF YOUR THUMB AND INDEX FINGER, SLIDE THE DECAL FROM ITS PAPER BACKING ONTO THE GLAZED WARE. POSITION THE DECAL WITH YOUR FINGERS TO THE DESIRED LOCATION. ABSORB THE EXCESS WATER WITH A PAPER TOWEL OR SOFT CLOTH. USING OUR LATEX SQUEEGIE (\$1.50), WORKING FROM THE CENTER OF THE DECAL OUTWARD, WORK OUT ALL THE AIR BUBBLES AND WATER. YOU WILL BE AMAZED HOW MUCH WATER AND AIR WILL BE REMOVED! (ANY AIR REMAINING UNDER THE DECAL WHEN FIRED WILL RESULT IN "POP" MARKS THAT WILL SPOIL THE LOOK OF YOUR FINISHED PIECE.) ONCE YOU ARE SATISFIED THAT THE DECAL IS PROPERLY APPLIED, AND HAS THOROUGHLY DRIED, YOU ARE READY TO FIRE YOUR GLAZED WARE.

WHEN APPLYING TBR DECALS TO A ROUNDED SURFACE, FOLLOW THE SAME PROCEDURE, EXCEPT PRE-WARM YOUR GLAZED WARE IN YOUR OVEN, OR RUN UNDER WARM WATER. A WARMED SURFACE WILL HELP KEEP THE DECAL RELAXED FOR EASE OF APPLICATION.

FIRING: WE RECOMMEND ALL TBR DECALS TO BE KILN FIRED AT

<i>CONE .017.</i>

DECALS ON STAIN:

1. CLEAN, FIRE & STAIN YOUR PIECE IN THE USUAL MANNER.
2. TRIM THE DECAL CLOSE TO THE DESIGN.
3. APPLY DECAL IN THE USUAL MANNER. NOTE: WETTING THE AREA TO BE DECALED WILL AID IN THE MOBILITY OF THE DECAL.
4. SPRAY THE FINISHED PIECE WITH 3 TO 4 WET COATS OF PORCELAIN SPRAY TO SEAL THE DECALS AND THE STAINED SURFACE.

DECALS ON WOOD:

1. PAINT THE WOOD WITH THE DESIRED COLOR OF STAIN AND ALLOW TO DRY. IF YOU ARE LEAVING THE WOOD A NATURAL COLOR, IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO SEAL THE WOOD WITH A CERAMIC OR PORCELAIN SPRAY OR BRUSH ON SEALER, BEFORE APPLYING THE DECAL.
2. TRIM THE DECAL CLOSE TO THE DESIGN.
3. APPLY DECAL IN THE USUAL MANNER. NOTE: WETTING THE AREA TO BE DECALED WILL AID IN THE MOBILITY OF THE DECAL.
4. SPRAY THE FINISHED PIECE WITH 3 TO 4 WET COATS OF PORCELAIN SPRAY TO SEAL THE DECALS AND THE WOOD SURFACE.

DECALS ON PLASTIC OR METAL:

1. LEAVE THE PLASTIC SURFACE AS IT IS, PAINT THE METAL WITH ACRYLIC PAINT.
2. TRIM THE DECAL CLOSE TO THE DESIGN.
3. APPLY THE DECAL IN THE USUAL MANNER.
4. SPRAY THE FINISHED PIECE WITH 3 TO 4 WET COATS OF PORCELAIN SPRAY TO SEAL THE DECALS AND THE ENTIRE PLASTIC OR METAL SURFACE.

DECALS ON PORCELAIN OR STONEWARE BISQUE:

1. APPLY THE DECAL IN THE USUAL MANNER.
2. FIRE TO CONE .017.
3. APPLY 3 COATS OF A SPRAY OR BRUSH-ON CERAMIC SEALER TO KEEP THE BISQUE WITH A SMOOTH CLEAN FINISH.

DECALS ON BISQUE (NO GLAZE):

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| 1. CLEAN GREENWARE AS USUAL. | 5. APPLY DECAL IN THE USUAL MANNER. |
| 2. FIRE GREENWARE TO CONE .03 OR .04. | 6. APPLY ONE COAT OF APT-II AND LET DRY. |
| 3. SAND BISQUE SMOOTH. | 7. FIRE TO DECAL CONE .017. |
| 4. APPLY 3 COATS OF APT-II CERAMIC ENHANCER.
ALLOW TO DRY BETWEEN EACH COAT. | 8. SPRAY A MATT OR GLOSS SEALER ON BISQUE. |

MISCELLANEOUS:

DECALS CAN ALSO BE USED TO DECORATE SOAP AND CANDLES, AND BOTH REMAIN FUNCTIONAL. THE DECAL WILL REMAIN ON THE SOAP UNTIL THE BAR IS COMPLETELY USED. DECALS CAN ALSO BE USED ON COW SKULLS, EGG SHELLS, GOURDS, ETC. PUT DECALS ON MANY DIFFERENT ITEMS TO MAKE EVERYDAY THINGS SPECIAL. USE YOUR IMAGINATION!!!