

Tips for wet application

Generally, polyester films should be applied dry. In certain cases however, e.g. applications onto large areas, a wet application is possible.

Materials: Surface cleaner (e.g. ASLAN AKR), transfer liquid (e.g. ASLAN TL 10), felt squeegee (e.g. ASLAN KRF 1) and a clean, absorbent cloth

1. Before the application, the substrate must be cleaned from dirt, dust and grease. We recommend using our surface cleaner ASLAN AKR.



The substrate should be cleaned immediately prior to the application to ensure that the surface is perfectly free of any pollution.

2. Lay the film onto a clean surface with the liner facing upwards and remove the liner in one piece and as evenly as possible. Slightly moistening the back (liner) reduces an electrostatic charging when removing the liner from the self-adhesive film.



Due to electrostatic charging, dust particles might end up on the adhesive. For more information on the topic electrostatics, please see our FAQ on the second page of this document.

3. Spray the substrate with a sufficient amount of transfer liquid (e.g. ASLAN TL 10).
4. Position the film on the wet surface. Thanks to the gliding characteristics of the transfer liquid, the film can be repositioned several times.
5. When the film has been optimally positioned, push out the transfer liquid with a felt squeegee (e.g. ASLAN KRF 1) as quickly as possible, starting from the center of the film to the edges and using firm pressure.



The more thoroughly the transfer liquid is being pushed out, the quicker the self-adhesive film will reach its final adhesion and a possible whitening of the adhesive can be prevented.

6. Remove dripping transfer liquid from the edges of the film by wiping them with an absorbent cloth, and once again press the film firmly on the substrate using the felt squeegee. Should the adhesive nevertheless turn white, this effect will disappear after a few days depending on the climatic conditions.



Repeating the procedure of firmly pressing the film on the substrate after a couple of hours will enhance the quality of the application.

General instructions:

When applying the film wet, the buildup of the adhesive strength will be delayed. Depending upon the environmental conditions, it might take several days until the final adhesion is reached. During this time period, a mechanical stress on the film should be avoided.

To prevent bubbles from occurring, an exposure of the application to large temperature fluctuations and direct sunlight should be avoided.

For the wet application of cut letters etc., we recommend using the paper tape ASLAN TP 110. After a short drying time, the paper tape should be removed in an 180° angle.