Decal Removal

You will need:

A source of heat such as a heat gun, hair dryer or even direct sunlight on a hot day or the radiant heat of a woodstove in winter. Please use caution with your heat source. The vinyl only needs to be warmed so that it will soften. Please do not melt your helmet or damage the clear coat or plastic parts of your helmet with extreme heat.

Paper Towels.

Goo Gone. Preferably the spray gel but any Goo Gone or similar adhesive remover will work.

If you are using a heat gun, begin by warming the edge of the decal. Lift the edge of the vinyl and gently pull it away from your helmet. Work your way through the decal, moving the heat gun to the next area to be removed as you go. You will quickly get into a rhythm where you are peeling and lifting the vinyl with one hand and moving the heat gun with the other.

Once the reflective portion of the decal is removed, apply the adhesive remover. If you are using the gel form of Goo Gone, you can apply it in one area and using a plastic spatula or popsicle stick, spread it over any remaining adhesive.

Allow the adhesive remover to work, remove remaining adhesive and cleaning products with paper towels. Repeat this process until all the adhesive has been removed.

Clean your helmet thoroughly with mild soapy water and a lint free clothe. In the absence of soapy water you can use window cleaner, you may want to clean it several times to ensure all residue has been removed.

If you do not have a heat gun, you can use a hair dryer in the same way. It may just take a bit more time to get the same results.

If you are relying on the sun the entire process may go faster as your helmet will be warmed all the way through. We have found this makes the vinyl softer, so easier to remove.

Please observe all safety precautions for all cleaning products you use. Goo Gone and other adhesive removers can be extremely toxic to pets. Always wash your hands thoroughly after handling these products.