Installation Instructions

Element's films are installed using industry stand techniques known to film companies and installers throughout the county. Our **glue-based films** form a more permanent bond on the glass, and must be scraped off when it's time for removal. We recommend installation by an experienced professional; however, a DIYer with expertise hanging wallpaper can also install the products. **Static** Cling films are easily installed by pros or homeowners, and can be installed and removed multiple times.

Tools needed: Sharp cutting tool and squeegee (included free with retail orders), tape measure, ruler or other straight edge, scissors, spray bottle, and paper towels. Just follow these simple steps:

Get Ready

1. Clean the glass area where the film will be applied. Remove all dirt, grease, etc. from the surface. Use a single edge razor blade if needed to remove any paint or surface blemishes to produce a flat, clean surface. The blade should move across the glass without squeaking.

Hint: Squeegee the cleaned surface. Don't wipe it with a cloth as this could leave unwanted materials on the cleaned surface.

- 2. Measure the length and width of the glass area to be covered. Allow ½ to ¾ inch overlap at all of the edges, then trim the film with scissors or the cutting knife.
- 3. Mix your wetting solution in a spray bottle by adding a few drops of a very mild detergent (baby shampoo or "Joy" to a spray water bottle. Don't use liquid hand soap, as it will not form a proper solution.
- 4. Lay the trimmed film on a clean, flat surface with the protective liner up. Remove the liner and spray a generous amount of the wetting solution to the exposed film.

Hint: If you have trouble removing the liner, place a piece of tape on opposite sides of the film at the corners and pull gently. This should help start separating the film from the liner.

Install

- 5. Place the wet film against the glass and position it as desired. Wet the front of the film to assist in using the squeegee in removing excess water. Work from the center outward with the squeegee to **remove all air bubbles** and water from beneath the film.
- 6. Use the razor knife to trim the excess film from the edges. Use the squeegee edge or a ruler as a guide and cut in a continuous one-way motion.
- 7. Use paper towels to remove excess water and solution around the edges.

Cleaning

8. Films may be cleaned with mild window cleaner. Windex, Glass Plus, etc are fine. We do not recommend the use of any abrasive cleaners as they may damage and reduce the useful life of the film.

That's it! Now enjoy the look of your new decorative film.