# **TELLURIDE ROCKER PANEL STRIPE**

# INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS



**INSTALL TIME** 

1-3 Hours



#### **WHAT'S INCLUDED**

PLASTIC BLADE ALCOHOL PREP WIPE PLASTIC CARD



**DIFFICULTY LEVEL:** 

**EASY** 

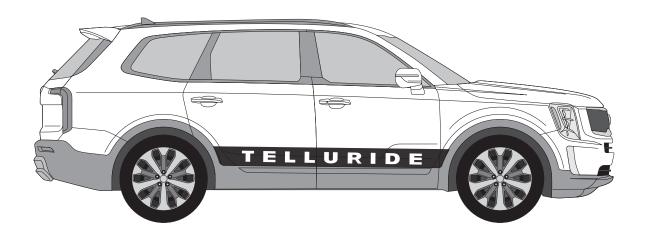


#### **RECOMMENDED TOOLS**

These are not included but make the installation easier.

SPRAY BOTTLE DISH SOAP OR BABY SHAMPOO MICROFIBER TOWEL ISOPROPYL ALCOHOL

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To ensure proper alignment of the decal we recommend the "wet" application method for beginners, but a "dry" installation will work for experienced installers. See back for more details.

- **1.)** In order to promote proper adhesion to the vehicle, it is recommended to clean the surface with isopropyl alcohol or a Dish Soap / Baby Shampoo water mixture (*See back for more details*). This will remove any dirt, wax, or oils that may exist on the surface.
- **3.)** With reference points in place you can now begin installation. Start by taking one side of the stripe and folding it back to the 3 hinge from **step 2**. With the backing paper now facing you peel the backing paper so that the adhesive side of the vinyl is now exposed.
- **5.)** Once you have completed one side of the decal installation, simply repeat **steps 3 and 4** for the remaining half of the decal. Since one side is now applied to the vehicle you can also remove your center tape hinge as the applied half of the decal will serve as a hinge now.

- **2.)** It is recommended to perform a mockup with the backing paper still on. Using masking tape to create several reference points is a great way to ensure a straight, and professional outcome! Be sure to have one piece aligned vertically on the center of the stripe.
- **4.)** Trim the backing paper from **step 3** and begin to lay the graphic onto the body using the provided plastic card. Slow and steady is key here to ensure a smooth installation.
- **6.)** With the decal now fully installed, use the provided blade to trim any excess material. After trimming it is important to keep the decal dry for 24 hours to allow proper adhesion curing. Repeat **steps 1-6** for the remaining side of the vehicle.

# **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

### **INSTALLATION BASICS**

- **1.)** Getting the vinyl installed on your vehicle is very simple and only requires minimal tools. For best results we recommend cleaning the surface that you'll be applying graphics to. Cleaning should consist of removal of any waxes, dirt and or debris. For the cleaning process a clay bar is highly recommended.
- **2.)** Before you begin installation of any vinyl material please make sure you are working in the right conditions, you should never install vinyl in direct sunlight. Optimum temperature for installing vinyl is between 65 and 72 degrees (F). Vinyl has a more difficult time conforming and staying in place in colder temperatures though, which is why we recommend waiting until temperatures warm up or install in a temperature controlled environment.
- **3.)** Performing a mock-up before installation typically will yield a better finished product. This simply means your graphic on your vehicle to ensure correct fitment / placement. For example, you do not want to be halfway through your installation and realize you are using stripes meant for your roof on the hood of your vehicle. Using masking tape to create reference points is a great way to ensure a straight, and professional outcome, especially when the job involves replacing an existing graphic.

### **DRY INSTALL**

- **1.)** Start by peeling the decal off of the backing paper, line up the decal or stripe with your masking tape or other alignment surface. Once you are happy with the placement you can begin using a card. Apply firm pressure to the entire product starting in the middle then moving outwards. Continue until you have removed all air from underneath the vinyl.
- **2.)** Now that the vinyl is fully adhered to the surface you can remove the transfer tape. Start in one corner and pull the transfer tape back onto itself. Do not pull the transfer tape away from the vinyl, pull it downwards. This will result in less likelihood of the vinyl staying on the transfer tape. If a piece of the vinyl does not come off of the transfer tape, STOP pulling immediately, set the transfer tape back into place, card that area again and continue until it is fully removed. The install is now complete.



## **WET INSTALL**

- **1.)** Measure and place the decal where it needs to be on the body of the vehicle. Then use masking tape along one side of the graphic to create a "hinge". This will allow you lift the graphic from one side to remove the backing while keeping your graphic in the correct position.
- **2.)** In preparation for the next step, you will need to use a application fluid to wet the adhesive surface as you expose it. Application fluid is either isopropyl alcohol, a mixture of dish soap and water, or baby shampoo and water. Typically 1 or two drops of soap per spray bottle of water works well.
- **3.)** Start separating the decal from its backing at one corner and pull it back slowly. When the backing is removed, wet the back of the decal. This prevents the adhesive from sticking to the vehicle while you fine-tune your placement.
- **4.)** Wet the surface with the same solution and position the decal where you want it to be placed. You can use your hands to lightly smooth out any wrinkles or push the graphic into a better position.
- **5.)** Once the graphic is placed in the correct position, work out the application fluid with a plastic card, this is called squeegeeing. Squeegee the decal from top to bottom beginning at the center and work your way around the graphic. Be sure that the outer edges of decal are smoothly adhered and all liquid is forced out. This is essential for proper adhesion.
- **6.)** Let the graphic dry in the sun for 20-30 mins and gently peel off the masking tape. Start in one corner and pull the transfer tape back onto itself slowly. Dry any excess fluids with a lintless towel or cloth. Please allow 24 hours for the vinyl to completely adhere to the vehicle. Do not get the vinyl wet during this time.

