

BLACK LEATHER AND VINYL REPAIR KIT INSTRUCTION MANUAL

SAFETY WARNING!

Keep this product in a safe place, out of reach of children. Do not consume it or allow it to come into contact with your eyes. Follow the instructions provided to ensure proper application. This product may cause irritation to sensitive skin. Wear plastic gloves during use and to wash hands thoroughly with soap and water afterward.

III STEP BY STEP INSTRUCTIONS

Follow these steps to apply the leather repair kit to your leather item:

1. Prepare the damaged area by carefully removing any rough or jagged bits of damaged leather or any loose thread. Clean the damaged area with a damp cloth or rubbing alcohol using a clean cloth or cotton swab. If the damaged area is depressed or had the stuffing material removed, re-stuff and rebuild the area with cotton or a similar material.

2. for cuts, holes and rips larger than ¼ inch, cut a piece of backing fabric with rounded edges slightly larger than the damaged area and insert it under the damaged area with the spatula. You don't need the backing fabric for repairs smaller than ¼ inch, surface peeling or scratching.

3. Use the color mixing guide to prepare the desired color in the empty mixing cup. Apply the color mix on an inconspicuous area of the actual item to be repaired to achieve the best possible color match evaluation.

4. Apply the repair compound to the damaged area. Start with applying it along the edges and work from the outside to the center. Use spatula for larger applications and brush for surface touch ups.

<u>TIP</u>: Applying thin layer and letting it dry each time is the key here. It takes longer but the results are going to be worth it!!

5. Depending on the thickness of the application, allow 6-12 hours for the repair compound to dry. After the first application has dried, apply additional layers if necessary.

6. After all layers have sufficiently dried, begin the buffing process (the compound will dry sticky before this step is completed). Gently polish the area using a cotton swab and rubbing alcohol. It is okay to apply a fair amount of pressure, especially to smooth out the edges.

PLEASE NOTE: After the finishing step with rubbing alcohol, the repair will dry matte. This is due to your item having a leather polish or sealer applied during the production process by the manufacturer. Once the repair is completed, we recommend that you apply a waterproof leather polish or wax to match the shiny finish.

PFREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

The color mixture did not match my repair.

Every repair is unique, and we know that color matching can be challenging. Please email <u>inquiry@fortivoshop.com</u> with a picture of your repair project and our repair experts will give you personalized advice and color matching tips.

I am not sure if I need to use the backing fabric.

The backing fabric is used for rips, cuts and holes larger than 1/4 of an inch. Surface damages, such as peeling or scratched areas are not suitable for the backing fabric. For surface damages, apply the repair compound directly.

I made a mistake and want to start over.

You can use a wet sponge or cloth to wipe off the repair compound. If the compound is dry, use rubbing alcohol or acetone with a cotton swab or cloth (apply significant pressure or use scraping knife) to completely remove the repair compound. Alcohol can damage the finish, so please test it on a corner first.

The repair is shiny, but I need a matte finish.

The correct sheen is almost as important as the correct color. For a matte finish, carefully rub the repaired area with a cotton pad and rubbing alcohol. Before applying the rubbing alcohol, please test on an inconspicuous area and proceed carefully.

Repaired area feels sticky

Drying time of the repair compound depends on the thickness of the layer and the relative humidity of the environment. For best results, apply thin layers and let the repair compound fully dry between each layer. If your repair is still sticky after 2-3 days, carefully rub the repaired area with a cotton pad and high concentration (90+ %) rubbing alcohol. Before applying the rubbing alcohol, please test on an inconspicuous area and proceed carefully.

I ran out of repair compound but my repair is not completed

Your repair kit includes 10 base colors to give you maximum flexibility to match any color, but we also want to minimize the waste. Although the repair compounds included in the kit are sufficient for most common repairs, every repair is unique. If you need more repair compound to complete your repair, please email <u>inquiry@fortivoshop.com</u> and we will help.

Experiencing another issue?

As a small family business, we take pride in our exceptional customer service. We strive to ensure every restoration meets your satisfaction. If you have any issues with your repair kit, please email <u>inquiry@fortivoshop.com</u>, and we'll make it right.

Interested in posting a product review?

We appreciate your feedback! Your review is invaluable to us. Thank you for taking the time to share your experience. **To post your review, visit amazon.com/ryp and <u>www.fortivoshop.com</u>**

COLOR MIXING GUIDE

Our kit comes with the most common colors for repair projects but you can use the color mixing guide below to create a custom color.

1. Use the color mixing grid to identify the right color that matches your leather or vinyl item that you are trying to repair

2. Follow the grid horizontally to the left to look up your primary color

3. Follow the grid vertically to the bottom to look up your secondary color

4. Use the empty mixing jar and start by adding your primary color to it first. Gradually add your secondary color till you get the exact match. Make sure to mix the colors well every time to add any color to the mix.

5. You can adjust the tint of the color by adding small amounts of black or white. Add very small amounts of black gradually as sometimes it can overpower the mix.

6. Apply the color mix on an inconspicuous area of the actual item to be re-dyed to get the best possible color match evaluation. Allow it to dry before evaluating the color match. *Note*: Colors will dry slightly darker than they appear when wet.

7. Clean the spatula after each use and between color changes. Wash your brush with water after you have finished a layer of repair otherwise it will dry hard

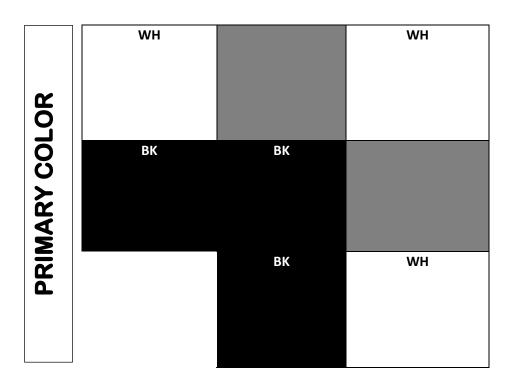
If you have any difficulties with color matching, please send us a picture of your repair project to <u>inquiry@fortivoshop.com</u> and a repair specialist will respond to you within 24 hours.

Visit our Resource Center to access detailed repair videos, ebooks, and more. Visit https://fortivoshop.com/pages/resources, or simply scan the code using the camera on your phone!

Need help on color match? Snap a photo with your phone and send it to <u>inquiry@fortivoshop.com</u>. Our awesome customer service team will help you out.

REPAIR VIDEO8





SECONDARY COLOR

WH	WHITE
BK	BLACK