

## **Inkjet Tattoo Paper**

Inside your pack you will find 2 different kinds of paper – an adhesive sheet and a printable sheet of tattoo paper. The adhesive sheet is a sheet of glossy plastic with white backing paper. The tattoo paper is white with a blank, printable, glossy side and a matt side printed with 'Inkjet Tattoo Paper Printing Paper'. Make sure you have identified which sheet is which before continuing with the process.

You will need: a hairdryer, a ruler, scissors, water and tissues or a cloth.

### **Step 1 - Create your design**

Create your design Edit the size and shape of the image you wish to turn into a tattoo on your computer. You must reverse all images and letters

### **Step 2 - Print your tattoo**

Print your tattoo Place the sheet of tattoo paper into your printer feed tray. Make sure it is straight and that you will be printing onto the blank, glossy side of the sheet. Set your print quality to 'Photo Quality' or similar, set the paper type to 'Heavy Photo Paper' or similar, select the correct paper size, then print

### **Step 3 - Dry your print**

Dry your print Allow the print to dry completely. This will take at least an hour but you can speed up the process by heating the printed tattoo gently with a hairdryer from a distance of at least 30cm.

### **Step 4 - Peel back the waxy backing paper**

Peel back the waxy backing paper To apply the adhesive sheet to the decal, peel the waxy, white backing paper away from the adhesive sheet exposing the clear adhesive layer. Fold the waxy backing paper down to expose the top edge of your adhesive layer.

### **Step 5 - Apply the adhesive sheet**

Apply the adhesive sheet Line up the adhesive sheet with the edge of your printed tattoo paper and press the adhesive onto the tattoo paper. Run a ruler down the adhesive sheet, peeling back the waxy backing paper as you go to fix the adhesive layer to the top surface of the entire sheet of tattoo paper, ensuring there are no air bubbles between the two layers

### **Step 6 - Cut the Tattoo**

Use a pair of scissors or a craft knife to cut out your image. Cut as close to the edge of the image as possible because any areas that are not cut out will remain as clear, plastic layer on your skin when you apply the temporary tattoo.

### **Step 7 - Apply the tattoo**

The area of skin that you want to apply the tattoo to needs to be clean, dry and free of greasy substances such as moisturiser. Carefully peel the clear, glossy film off of the tattoo paper, exposing the adhesive. Place the adhesive side of the tattoo onto the prepared patch of skin and rub firmly all over the surface of the tattoo paper.

### **Step 8 - Remove the backing paper**

# Gecko Paper

Wet some tissues or a cloth and dab the tattoo paper, continue to dab all over the tattoo until the paper is thoroughly saturated. You should now be able to slip the backing paper off, revealing a beautiful vinyl temporary tattoo. If the backing paper does not come off easily just continue to dab with water until it does.

## **Additional Information**

Your temporary tattoo will flake off over time, if you need to remove it before this happens, we recommend using make-up remover and cotton wool or wash with hot, soapy water.