

Instructions: Standard Decals



Application Instructions: (read all steps before proceeding)

Apply the decal to finished fired pieces. Decals do not fire very high so should be applied after the glaze firing.

1. Clean the ceramic surface where the decal will go.
2. Remove the wax paper barrier, if any, from the decal surface.
3. If desired, cut the decal to the required shape using a craft knife, punch or scissors.
4. Soak the decal in a shallow pan of warm water until it easily slides off the paper. It is easier to apply the decal directly from the paper to the ceramic piece. Leaving it in water too long will result in the decal floating off the base paper and it will be difficult to apply.
5. After applying the decal, use a paper towel to blot excess water and gently smooth out any wrinkles or air bubbles. If air bubbles are not gently rubbed out, a tiny hole will pop through the decal when fired.
6. Change water frequently after soaking several decals to remove impurities.
7. **All moisture must be removed prior to firing. Overnight drying is highly recommended.**

Firing Instructions:

Earthenware: 785 – 820C

Stoneware: 820 – 850C

Porcelain: 830 – 860C

Tips for Coloured Decals:

- Coloured decals may fade or change colour slightly.
- Colours may react with some glazes to produce interesting effects.
- Try backing coloured decals with white or pale glaze to visually enhance the decal.