

# Installation instructions



*Material needed: Rubbing Alcohol, a hair-dryer or a heat gun, scissors, masking tape, a squeegee, glue remover (if old glue needs to be removed) and an environment that is inside and heated.*

## Step 1 First things to do

- Take out the stickers from the packaging tube and let them lay flat on a clean surface for 12 to 24 hours.
- Place the vehicle in a heated environment with a temperature of at least 20°C and let it warm up before beginning the installation.  
**⚠** *\*Warning: A minimal temperature of 20°C is required to perform the installation.*


## Step 2 Vehicle Preparation

- Meticulously wash your vehicle with soapy water. Rinse it well and dry it up.
- If there are already stickers on your vehicle, remove them using a heat gun or a hair-dryer. If there are any glue residues, clean them using glue remover. Then, use rubbing alcohol to clean every sections that will be covered with stickers. Let it dry.
- The vehicle shall be clean, dry, and exempt of any grease, glue, wax or any type of dust before installing. For optimal adherence and cleanliness, use the AKzero8 installation kit.  
**⚠** *\*DO NOT USE any type of degreaser such as pledge, WD40, etc... These oil-based products make plastic surfaces slippery and will hinder the graphic kit from correctly sticking on your vehicle. If the cleaning steps are not followed properly, your graphic kit might fall from your vehicle. Therefore, take the time to clean your vehicle.*

### Step 3 Installation (You can do it!)

- To begin, study closely the installation chart to identify every pieces and determine their position on your vehicle.
- If desired, you can separate the pieces from the main sheet by cutting them following the sticker's outline. Make sure to keep the sticker's backing paper. Also, when you separate the stickers from the main sheet, make sure to identify each part of your graphic kit by writing the installation number behind your sticker.
- Then, using masking tape, you can temporarily place the pieces on you vehicle. This step will help you to align the pieces and to have an overview of the final result.
- To stick the pieces in position: Once the sticker is correctly positioned, use a long piece of masking tape and stick it in the middle of the sticker to make a vertical hinge. (The masking tape hinge should exceed the sticker edges.) Then, using the central hinge, pull on one side of the sticker and remove the backing paper up to the hinge. Cut the backing paper near the hinge. Then, use your squeegee to glue your piece in place. Make sure to start with the center of the sticker. Then head towards the edges of the piece with an up and down movement. It is important to overlap the squeegee movements to correctly drag the air out. Once the first side of the sticker is glued to the vehicle, remove the hinge and the rest of the backing paper. Finally, repeat the previous steps to glue the second half of the sticker onto the vehicle.

### Step 4 Heating

- Stickers will adhere better if extra heat and pressure are provided. Use a heat gun or a hair-dryer to evenly heat every stickers. (Do not overheat them.) Then, press on each sticker giving an extra attention to the edges to obtain an optimal adherence. This step is really important because, if it isn't done correctly, the graphic kit might not hold well.  
 **\*IMPORTANT:** Before taking the vehicle outside, let it rest inside for a minimum of 24 hours to let the graphic kit reach an optimal adherence.

*\*\*\*AKzero8 is not responsible for a faulty installation. We use high quality vinyl to ensure easy installation and optimal adherence. The laminating film is designed to protect well the vinyl. However, stickers are not indestructible and their longevity may vary depending on the quality of their installation and the conditions in which the vehicle is used. (Different types of elements may create friction and premature deterioration.)*