

# Practical Information

## Care and Maintenance of Vinyl Vehicle Graphics



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Aim the spray pattern at a slight angle to the edge of the vinyl graphic. (See Diagram 1a)

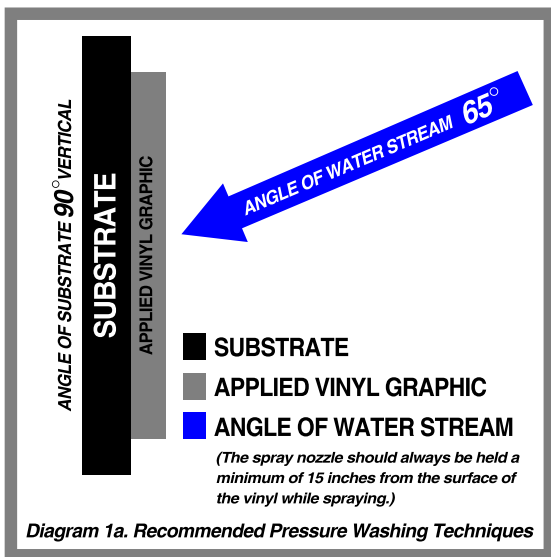


Diagram 1a. Recommended Pressure Washing Techniques

**Under no circumstances should a turbo pressure nozzle be used when pressure washing applied vehicle graphics.**

### How to remove difficult pollutants or debris from applied vehicle graphics

When normal cleaning procedures don't work to remove difficult debris from your applied vehicle graphics, try the following:

- Spot clean the area with Isopropyl Alcohol and a microfiber rag.
- Moisten a rag with a citrus-based cleaner and naphtha and wipe down the problem areas. Immediately after using the citrus cleaner and naphtha, rinse the area with a blend of water and soap.

If these cleaning methods do not work on problem areas, please contact Oracal Product Technical Support for more helpful tips and information.

### How to properly hand wash vinyl vehicle graphics

#### Supplies Needed:

- Garden hose with standard spray nozzle attachment
- Clean bucket
- Mild car wash detergent
- Soft cotton or microfiber sponge
- Dry microfiber cloths

#### Procedure:

1. Rinse the graphic with water to wash away any loose sediments, dust, or dirt using your garden hose with spray nozzle attachment.
2. Mix together water and the mild detergent into your bucket. *(Make sure the bucket is free of dirt and small rocks as these will scratch your car and or vinyl graphics.)*
3. Soak your sponge with the water and soap mixture.
4. Clean the graphic starting from the top and scrubbing to the bottom. This will allow the dirty, contaminated water to drip toward the ground.
5. Rinse the graphic with clean water using the hose with spray nozzle attachment.
6. Once the graphic is rinsed off, allow it to air dry. You may also use a microfiber cloth to dry the graphic.
7. Once dry, for added protection, you may apply a silicone or Teflon-based polish designed for vinyl vehicle graphics. *(Read and follow manufacturer's directions and suggestions for frequency.)*

For questions not covered in this bulletin, please contact Oracal Product Technical Support at 1-888-672-225 or email [techsupport@oracal.com](mailto:techsupport@oracal.com).

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