

Part No. 12731
Hood Scoop
1994-1998 Mustang(All models)



PLEASE READ INSTRUCTIONS THOROUGHLY BEFORE PROCEEDING

We have provided complete instructions and hardware; the list of these items is listed on page 3 of the instructions.

- Before starting please verify that the instructions and hardware are included with the shipment. Also, verify that you received the correct part(s). All part numbers are embossed on the inside of the urethane component(s).

Tools and general materials required: Acetone or MEK, Burgundy Scotchbrite pad, cleaning cloths

THERE ARE FOUR PHASES TO MOST INSTALLATIONS:

1. Removal of factory parts and then TEST FIT the aftermarket product
2. Preparation of the parts for paint and painting
3. Installation of the adhesive tape
4. Installation of the part

PHASE 1) REMOVAL & TEST FIT

- **REMOVAL:** If your 1999-04 Mustang GT has a factory hood scoop it will need to be removed. After that, remove any residue marks that might be present on the hood from the factory scoop.
- **TEST FIT** the parts to verify excellent fit

DO NOT PREP, DRILL, OR PAINT THE PARTS UNTIL TEST FITTING IS COMPLETE!

NOTE:

Urethane parts might seem to be slightly distorted upon test fit. If so, place them in the sun topside down (if a warm day) or in a warm area, approximately 70-80 degrees F, for 2-3 hours and it will return to its original shape and become more flexible.

PHASE 2) PREPARATION OF URETHANE PART (S) FOR PAINTING:

This process is following an approved Sherwin Williams procedure and materials. Consult your paint supplier for equivalent materials and / or procedures.

- **WASH** the paintable surfaces with a heavy duty detergent degreaser i.e....Castrol purple stuff, Palmolive liquid dish soap, red hot, and USP90 scuff gel, using a gray scuff pad until the part is dull and then rinse thoroughly.
- **SAND** across item with 400 grit or finer paper and check for imperfections. Repair as needed.
- **RE-WASH** with heavy detergent degreaser and USP90 scuff gel or Palmolive liquid dish soap using gray scuff pad to remove any residue. Rinse thoroughly and wipe dry with a lint free towel.
- **WIPE** item down using SC159 plastic and anti-static cleaner with lint free towel.
- **PLACE** masking tape onto the tape ledge surface on the backside of the part.
- **SPRAY** item with UPO7227 plastic adhesion promoter.
- **SPRAY** item with P30 sealer base coat then clear coat.
- **DO NOT oven bake our parts above 100 degrees F.** They should be well supported during any heat cycle to avoid the flexible part from warping.

Figure #1



PHASE 3) INSTALLATION OF THE ADHESIVE TAPE (perform in a warm area above 70 Degrees)

- REMOVE masking tape from the backside of the part.
- Looking at Figure #1 you can see that all areas where the tape is to be installed and the front and back of the part should have 2 rows of 1/2" x .60 tape installed next to each other.
- REMOVE any paint over spray on the tape area of the part with acetone and if needed use 3M #7447 Scotchbrite burgundy pad. After paint over spray is removed wipe tape ledge with a clean rag and acetone.
- CLEAN the tape ledge on the inside of the part with MEK or Acetone.
- ROUGH up the tape ledge using 3M burgundy Scotchbrite pad that has been dipped in MEK or Acetone and then wipe clean with the MEK or Acetone.
- APPLY the provided 3M adhesion promoter, #4298, onto the part where the tape will be installed and PRESS the tape on with the handle part of scissors.
- ALLOW the part to set with the tape applied for about 30 minutes – this will help the curing process, before installing the product on vehicle.

PHASE 4: INSTALLATION OF THE PART (Perform in a warm area of 70 degrees)

- INSTALL the provided black vinyl insert in the front scoop area of the part. Clean the portion of the part where the insert will adhere to with rubbing alcohol and then, after peeling the backer from the vinyl, carefully press the insert into place.
- The part needs to be warm which will increase its flexibility and the ease of installation
- On hoods that have had the factory hood scoop installed, the location of the part from the center rear edge of the part to the rear center edge of the hood is 5 1/4". If the hood never had the factory hood scoop installed the location of the part from the center rear edge of the part to the rear center edge of the hood is 4 1/4".
- CLEAN the area which the tape will contact the hood with acetone or MEK.
- REMOVE the red tape backing from the INSIDE rows of tape.
- PULL all the ends of the outside rows of the tape red back liner outside the edge of the part so you can pull them when the part is in place.
- SET the part in place and slowly pull the red liner from the outer rows of tape and press the part snugly into position.

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HARDWARE PROVIDED:

(4) - 3M4298 adhesive packs, 12 Feet, 1/2" x .060 tape, hood scoop black vinyl insert

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