Leather Magic!™ Leather Recoloring Kit Instructions

Thank you for purchasing the *Leather Magic!*™ Leather Recoloring Kit. This kit will enable you to refinish your leather with minimal effort. Please follow all the step by step instructions to achieve the best results.

This Kit contains the following components:
1- Pair Latex Gloves • 1- 4 oz. Bottle Leather Prep • 2- Sandpaper •1- 200cc Bottle Premixed Colorant • 3- Applicator Sponge • 1- Preval Sprayer • 1- 2 oz. Bottle Leather Conditioner • 1- 2 oz Leather Cleaner • 2- Instructions
Please be prepared before beginning by having the following supplies ready for use: Paper or Cloth Towels, Drop Cloths, Newspaper or Cardboard, Hair Dryer, Masking Tape, Bucket of Clean Watep

We recommend testing color match on an area before starting your project. Use the sprayer to spray a light mist for a more accurate look of the color.

Step One: Clean the area thoroughly using the Leather Cleaner. This cleans the surface to remove all dirt, grease or other foreign matter that may interfere with the adhesion of the colorant. Rinse the area well with clean water to remove all traces of cleaning material and *dry thoroughly*. Make certain that all foreign matter such as particles of dirt, or other loose matter is removed, especially from between the seams and crevices.
Next, apply the Leather Prep solution provided (please see the specifications and warnings about the proper use of Leather Prep at the bottom of these instructions). Wet the area extremely well and using a dry cloth or paper towel scrub the area vigorously to open the pores of the surface of the leather and to completely remove all traces of oils, waxes and other foreign debris. Some removal of the existing surface color is normal and should be expected. Dry the entire area well before proceeding.

Step Two: If working with vinyl sections such as side panels, Skip to Step #3
Lightly sand the entire area to create a base for the new colorant to adhere. Do not sand excessively. Use **only** the sandpaper provided other types of sandpaper will damage the leather. The purpose of sanding the leather is only to achieve a base for the colorant, and remove any rough areas that may exist. Be careful not to "rough-up" the surface by over sanding. Be careful not to sand over the stitches. This will cause the sewn in stitches to fray and will leave an undesirable appearance to the finished area. Wipe off any remaining dust. A final wipe down using Leather Prep may be required if the area was extremely dirty, or the leather was very dry so as to create an excessive amount of sanding dust. Make certain that the area is completely dry before proceeding.

Step Three: Mask the surrounding area with drop cloths, newspapers, plastic or cardboard to prevent over spray or spills onto other areas. **Shake the bottle of Color Coat well before application**. Using the applicator sponge, wipe on light thin coats onto the area. Apply the colorant with smooth, even strokes. Avoid leaving bubbles or "brush marks". These may be wiped out before drying. ***Do not try to cover the area in one coat, several light coats work best. The least amount of colorant used produces a much better finish and will last longer***. Dry the area well between coats. You may use a hair dryer on low heat.

Step Four: Please see additional instructions on Preval Use.

Once dry you may spray a light coat of colorant over the area. Attach the pickup tube to the bottom of the spray unit. Hold the unit upside down and press the spray button for 5-10 seconds to release some of the excess propellent. Screw the spray unit onto the bottle of Color Coat. Hold the sprayer approximately 8 to 12 inches from the surface and move the sprayer in smooth even strokes, overlapping each stroke to achieve an even spray. Do not shake the sprayer or hold at too sharp of an angle while spraying. This will cause the sprayer to "spit" causing bubbles, uneven spray or completely block the spray nozzle and prevent it from spraying. **Again light coats are better than heavier coats of colorant.** The least amount of colorant applied, the better. Remember, you only want to cover over the prepared areas. **Do not spray onto unprepared areas as the colorant will most likely peel off later**. Several coats will be required. **Do not try to cover the area with one coat.** Repeat this step, drying in between until you have covered the area to your satisfaction. Be extremely careful to prevent over spray from getting onto any surrounding areas. A little practice using the spray unit is highly recommended before applying the new color coat to your leather. It may not always be necessary to use the spray unit. Occasionally, the finish may be completed to satisfaction just by using the applicator sponge. To avoid stroke marks in the finish, Spraying of the colorant is highly recommended.

Step Five:

Once the recoloring procedure has been completed and completely dry, the item may be placed back into service immediately. We do Recommend that the item remain undisturbed for 12 - 24 hours to allow the new color coat to cure sufficiently. Extreme caution must be exercised during this time to avoid scratching or damaging the new finish. ie; no sharp objects, heavy usage or contact with food or liquids. After 48 hours, the colorant will achieve maximum performance levels and ensure durability and Leather Conditioner may then be applied. This will compliment the durability and appearance of the finish. No other special measures will need to be taken except for normal care and cleaning.

Cleanup:

The colorant used in this kit is water based and may be cleaned by means of soap and water. Rubbing alcohol may also be used to remove over spray or for cleaning application equipment. For the first couple of hours, cleanup will be relatively easy. After 48 hours cleanup will be extremely difficult.

Leather Prep:

Leather Prep is a very strong Alcohol based product that must be handled properly.
1. Always use protective gloves when working with Leather Prep. 2. Make certain that adequate ventilation is provided during its' use. The use of a respirator that conforms to 9NIOSH/MSHA TC 23C or equivalent is recommended during and after application.
3. EXTREMELY FLAMMABLE LIQUID MAY BE HARMFUL OR FATAL IF SWALLOWED OR INHALED KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN. NA 1263 Paint Related Material

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