

PLASTI DIP

Plasti Dip – a guide for dipping cars

Plasti Dipping” your vehicle is becoming a popular choice both in the professional and DIY market and is a real cost-effective way of completely refinishing your car, van or motorbike and much cheaper than conventional body shops or Vinyl wrapping.

Plasti Dip regular coverage is approximately 20 sq ft (1.85 sq m) per litre. Approximately 3 sq m if spraying. We suggest a minimum of 7 coats for best results. 400ml aerosol coverage is approximately 5-10 sq ft (0.5-1 sq m) per aerosol. As an example, for wheels, we recommend one aerosol spray per 18" alloy.

Below is a guide to application and quantities suggested and preparation advice:-

To spray a medium size car (eg. 3 series/C class/Mondeo size) we suggest 7.5 litres of Plasti Dip regular mixed 50/50 ratio by weight with 8.5 litres Plasti Dip thinners.

Larger vehicles (BMW 7 series etc) will require minimum of 10 litres of base coat and 11 litres thinners mixed as above.

Above quantities depend on the change of base colour you are applying.

<http://www.plastidip.co.uk/shop/plastidip/plasti-dip>

<http://www.plastidip.co.uk/shop/thinners>

All our standard regular colours are a matt finish which can be enhanced with our top coats either Gloss or Satin finish for which you should need half the above quantity of base coat, thinned up to 10% for spraying.

There are additional enhancers and pigments you can use to customise your car and add really eye-catching effects. Please see our full range of enhancers by following the below link:-

<https://www.plastidip.co.uk/shop/plastidip/plastidip-enhancers>.

We recommend a Wagner Earlex MS2901 Pressure Pot spray gun or similar, available from Amazon/eBay etc with a tip size of 1.4 -1.5mm. For professional users, look at the range from Devilbiss <http://www.devilbisseu.com/en-gb/>

We also offer Plasti Dip regular in pre-mixed “Sprayable” versions for ease of use, as well as Bespoke colours with RAL number, or some car manufacturers Paint Codes.

<https://www.plastidip.co.uk/product/1-gallon>

<https://www.plastidip.co.uk/shop/plastidip/bespoke-colour>

The essential criteria is to ensure the surface is squeaky clean, grease, dirt, debris and contaminant free and thoroughly dry before coating. Pay particular attention to the sills, trim, gutters, grills and any tight or hard to get to corners and gully's you would not normally treat.

Also ensure all water is removed from these areas before spraying. All traces of previous wax or silicone residues from cleaning products must be removed with the correct de-greaser.

Wash only with hot water as some soap detergents contain residues that Plasti Dip may not adhere to.

Never use any petroleum, citric, alcohol or solvent based cleaning or care materials on Plasti Dip. Care should be taken with Petroleum avoiding any spillages on to the finished coating, ensure to wipe off any spills straight away.

Clean large areas with panel wipe <http://www.plastidip.co.uk/product/plastidip-panel-wipe> and make sure everything is thoroughly dry.

Small areas can be cleaned with Dip Care Prep Degreaser <https://www.plastidip.co.uk/product/dip-care-dip-prep-degreaser-500ml>

The best way is to apply mist coats and gradually build up the layers. The thicker the final coating, the easier it is to remove in the future should you wish (we suggest a minimum of 7 coats).

In room temperatures of around 21 degrees, layers should be touch dry in approximately 30-45 minutes and totally cured in 24/48 hours.

Only use a primer to increase adhesion if you require a permanent coating.

For extra protection of your investment and ease of cleaning we recommend using Dip Care Sealant over the finished coating.

<https://www.plastidip.co.uk/?s=dip+care>

All prices are available on our website.

MAKE SURE YOU ARE HAPPY WITH YOUR CHOSEN COLOUR - PLEASE DO A TEST AREA PRIOR TO APPLYING TO YOUR PROJECT – BASE COLOURS CAN ALTER THE FINAL SHADE