

WARNING

- These following pages are instruction for C5 CE stripes; however, it is the same method applying vinyl. Please spend time reading thru these pages. At the end, it is your C7 full racing stripe instruction.
- All the instructions in this are just from how I have done on my customer Corvettes so I don't guarantee anything if you follow these instructions and find something is not the right way to apply vinyl. With my instructions, applying vinyl is just simple so you can apply these stripes by yourself and save at least \$100 other people charges for installation.
- When you have body shops or sign shops to do the installation, you need to have your stripes premasked (transparent tape). Premask is using 24"-30" masking tape puts on top of your stripes. All body shops and sign shops use hard squeezes and try to install your stripes as quick as possible so they need the stripes premasked to not damage your stripes. Adding premask for full set of stripes starts from \$50.
- Trying to keep the price low since most of Corvette owners don't want others touching their vette's, I have option to let customers pick to add premask option .
- And again, I still don't guarantee anything. Avery,Oracal, or 3M will only guarantee that the vinyl will not fading in 7-12 years since I'm using Avery, Oracal, or 3M high performance vinyl (depends on the color selection).
- Please read this instruction for how to apply stripes and all the tool you need to apply stripes before start applying your stripes:
(http://www.vettestripes.com/Vette%20Instruction/How_To_Peel_Off_Stripes.pdf)

Some Tips

- Whatever you're doing, make sure the vinyl candle paper (backing paper) is not getting wet or it will permanently stick to your vinyl and ruin your stripes.
- Wash your car really clean and wash it really well to get all the washing soap off. If you recently wax your car, use 3M wax/adhesive remover to clean up the areas you about to install your stripes. Then wash your car again to clean up all those 3M wax/adhesive remover chemical.
- Using masking tape to mark some spacing. For example the middle of 2 main stripes if your stripes have a space in the middle OR mark on both sides to make sure your main stripe is at middle of the hood, etc ... if your stripes are 1 whole piece stripes.
- Using the same method to apply the spacer guide line.
- Do not overlap any stripes include the spacer guide line pieces.
- Do not squeegee too much on the spacer guide line stripe since it will be removed right after the small vinyl is in place.
- The stripes will be longer than all the panels a bit so you can bend around them. However, just let the stripes get dried up a bit and then message the stripes slowly to bent them around all the panels.
- For installation, body shops are the most expensive and less experience. Sign shops are the second expensive installation shop but they know how to apply vinyl. The right window tinting shops are the least expensive since they don't need masking (\$50 saving) and the installation fee is just around \$100 - \$150 for a whole set of stripes.
- **Check next page for step by step with pictures**

- Marking tape



- Peel off and apply one bigger stripe first



- Apply the second hood bigger stripes



- Apply the spacer guide line (with the T shape at one end)



Apply the smaller outer stripes with the spacer still in place



Do the same thing for the other side and remove both of the spacers and you have this final look



. Some people got problem to align the ends of stripes that facing toward the front because they did not put the marking tape correctly. The outcome would be 1 side sitting lower than other. The trick to tape a little string across the hood as show in picture below, then put down the marking tape and mark it parallel with the string. This trick suppose to be done before applying the stripes ☺.



. Same method will be used to apply the roof (for coupe or hard top) and rear deck stripes.

C7 Racing Stripe Instruction

- You need to remove the hood vent to have factory looking installation. Please check this instruction to remove hood vent:
<http://www.vettestripes.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/C7-Stingray-Z06-hood-vent-removal.pdf>
- If you order your stripes with premask option, driver side and passenger side stripes are masked together with the correct spacing in the middle.
- Install your front nose stripe first.
- If you have a convertible, install your stripes in these orders: the one on the trunk lid then water fall, front hood, top hood, front lower bumper, top rear bumper, spoiler, and lower rear bumper. Be careful when opening your convertible top during install your stripes.
- If you have a coupe, install your stripes in these orders: removable top (take your top off), rear hatch, rear bumper, front hood, top hood, lower front bumper, top rear bumper, spoiler, put back the top, and then the halo.
- Your body shop or sign shop should know when need to peel off the masking tape. Do not trim anything but bend them around all the panels after peeling off the masking tape.
- If you order your stripes without premask option, please follow the same steps as above for premasked stripes; however, you will add 1 more step to install the spacers at the center for each of the stripe first. For example, to install the hood stripes, you must install the spacer in the middle of the hood before installing passenger side and then driver side stripes.
- Your stripes will come with the reusable middle spacers. They are reusable since after done install on the hood stripes, you can take off that spacer and use it for the back, etc ...
- To separate spacers, mixing soapy solution, please read this instruction: http://www.vettestripes.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/How_To_Peel_Off_Stripes.pdf