

'NOSTROMO' LETTERING POSITIONING

"The letters on the back of the jacket are as follows: the "n" is 1 3/4' tall and 1 3/8" wide. The total width of the letters is 13 1/2" across from the start of the N to the end of the O."

The placement of the lettering is: 4 inches down from collar zip to the top of the "R" letter in NOSTROMO

Couple of tips:

First, rub the stencil down DAMN hard (regardless of what the instructions say!) - the last thing you want is the paint bleeding under the edges, and it will always peel off without trouble.

Second, use a very dry brush to stipple on the paint, building it up in layers. I used a mixture of white/black/turquoise Dylon fabric paints - load the brush then wipe off most of the paint before application. Hold the brush vertically and pat it on, then reload, wipe and repeat until the colour has reached the right intensity (I kept mine fairly subtle since I wanted a worn as opposed to factory-fresh look).

One result of this method (aside from an absence of brush strokes) is that it really picks up the honeycomb texture of the lining, just like the screen-worn jackets.

When laying down the stencil there are a couple things you should do.

First: place something solid inside like a piece of Masonite or stiff (smooth) cardboard to have a nice solid flat surface to work on, cover this with aluminum foil in case of bleed through so the paint doesn't stick.

Second: use a hair drier over the stencil as you are squeegeeing it down this will get the edges to stick better then go over it again once the application paper is removed to help seal the edges down.
Don't over heat it as this will soften and possibly melt the vinyl.

Third: work from the edges lightly so there is no bleeding under the stencil, if using spray paint or airbrush do light coats so it doesn't saturate the cloth, if hand painting get a stencil brush (round short brush with a flat end) and carefully do the edges working away from the vinyl so there is no bleed.

You can also lay down a clear coat first to help seal the edges.

Take your time and let the paint set before removing the stencil.