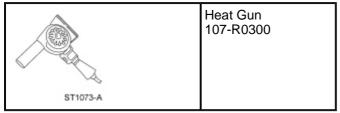
Body Graphics — GT500, Luggage Compartment

Special Tool(s)



- 1. Thoroughly wash and dry the vehicle before carrying out removal and installation of stripe decals.
- 2. If the upper portion of the luggage compartment panel is to receive new stripes, remove the satellite radio antenna (if equipped). For additional information, refer to Section 415-00.
- 3. If the lower portion of the luggage compartment panel is to receive new stripes, remove the luggage compartment door name plate.
- 4. Warm the stripe decal on the affected panel with a hair dryer or heat gun on the lowest setting, being careful not to heat excessively, as this can melt the decal or damage the paint surface.
 - Beginning at the edge or corner of the stripe, slowly lift and remove the stripe, pull at an angle to the body panel. Keep the stripe warm with a heat gun or hair dryer slightly ahead of the area just removed.
 - Remove any remaining material or adhesive from the panel surface with an isopropanol cleaner or equivalent.
 - An alternate method of removing stripes is with a rubber-wheeled graphic removal tool.

Installation

All Panels

1. **NOTE:** Surface temperature of body panel(s) should be above 10℃ (50℉). Avoid carrying out removal or installation of stripe decal(s) in direct sunlight. The following step is applicable to the removal of the stripe decals, regardless of the location on the vehicle.

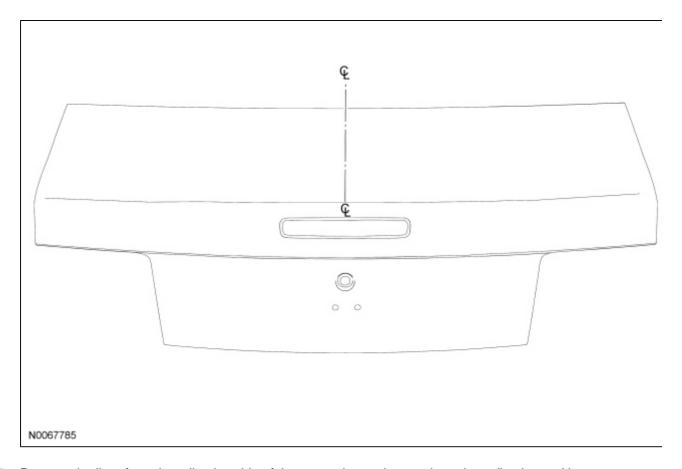
Mix 1 teaspoon of liquid dishwashing soap or equivalent in 1.89L (1/2 gal) of water. Fill a spray bottle with this solution.

- 2. Clean the surface using a commercial wax and grease remover, follow the manufacturer's directions.
- 3. Reclean the surface using an isopropanol cleaner.

Upper Luggage Compartment Panel

4. **NOTE:** A non-staining, removable marker is required for stripe installation layout on the panel.

Locate and mark the panel centerline at a minimum of 2 points.



- 5. Remove the liner from the adhesive side of the new stripe and spray the stripe adhesive and luggage compartment panel with the soap/water solution.
- 6. **NOTE:** If installing the luggage compartment upper panel stripe and the spoiler stripe is in place but does not correctly align, the LH and RH stripe may be separated and applied individually.

NOTE: The luggage compartment stripes are designed with a 5 mm (0.19 in) setback built into the release paper.

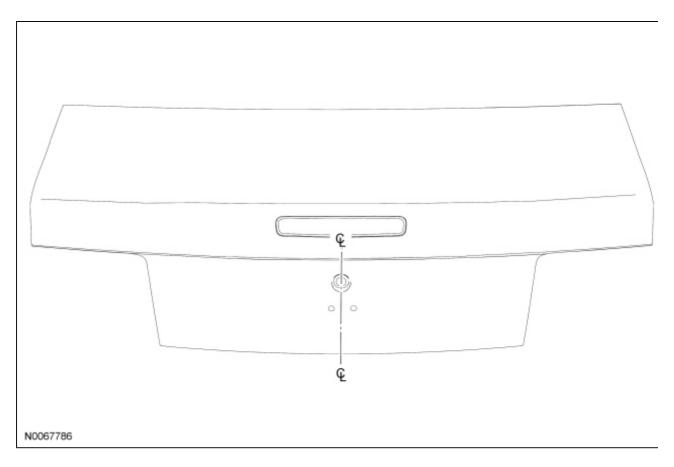
Align the stripe release paper (adhesive side down) with the leading edge of the luggage compartment panel and evenly spaced to the centerline.

- Beginning at the center and working outward to the edges, use a soft plastic squeegee to remove the excess air and soap/water solution until the decal is firmly adhered.
- Wet the release paper with the soap/water solution and slowly remove the release paper, pulling at 180 degrees and a diagonal to the stripe decal.
- Remove the centerline locating marks.
- 7. Repair blisters or air bubbles by piercing them with a small pin or needle at one end of the bubble. Work the trapped air out through the pin hole using a soft plastic squeegee, your thumb or finger, moving toward the pin hole and press the stripe firmly against the panel. It may be necessary to preheat the panel slightly to soften the adhesive. Heat may also be used to remove small creases or irregularities.

Lower Luggage Compartment Panel

8. **NOTE:** A non-staining, removable marker is required for stripe installation layout on the panel.

Locate and mark the panel centerline at a minimum of 2 points.



9. **NOTE:** The lower luggage compartment panel stripes are of a 2-piece design. The lower portion of the stripe kit must be installed first, as the upper stripe must over lap the lower portion.

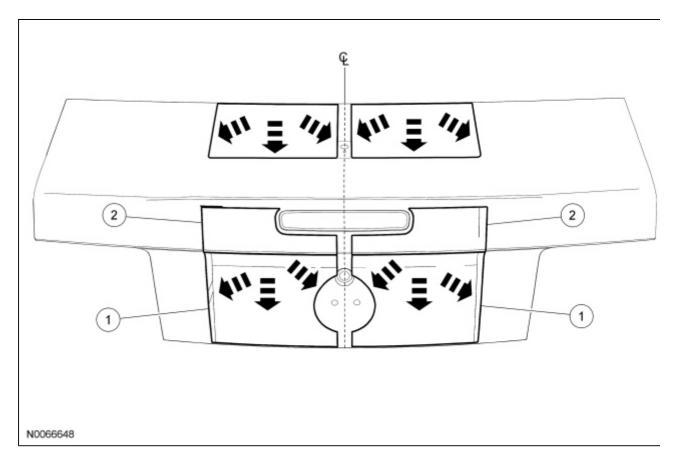
NOTE: If installing the luggage compartment lower panel stripes and the rear bumper or spoiler stripe is in place but does not correctly align, the LH and RH stripe may be separated and applied individually.

Remove the liner from the adhesive side of the new stripe and spray the stripe adhesive and luggage compartment panel with the soap/water solution.

10. **NOTE:** The luggage compartment stripes are designed with a 5 mm (0.19 in) setback built into the release paper.

Align the stripe release paper (No. 1) adhesive side down with the bottom edge of the luggage compartment panel and evenly spaced to the centerline.

- Beginning at the center and working outward to the edges, use a soft plastic squeegee to remove the excess air and soap/water solution until the decal is firmly adhered.
- Wet the release paper with the soap/water solution and slowly remove the release paper, pulling at 180 degrees and a diagonal to the stripe decal.
- Repeat for the upper portion (No. 2) of the stripe kit aligning the release paper to the upper edge of the luggage compartment panel and evenly spaced to the centerline.
- Remove the centerline locating marks.



All Panels

11. Repair blisters or air bubbles by piercing them with a small pin or needle at one end of the bubble. Work the trapped air out through the pin hole using a soft plastic squeegee, your thumb or finger. Move toward the pin hole and press the stripe firmly against the panel. It may be necessary to preheat the panel slightly to soften the adhesive. Heat may also be used to remove small creases or irregularities.