Body Graphics — GT500, Roof

Special Tool(s)



- 1. Thoroughly wash and dry the vehicle before carrying out removal and installation of stripe decals.
- 2. **NOTE:** Surface temperature of body panel(s) should be above 10°C (50°F). 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.

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

- 1. 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 entire surface with a commercial wax and grease remover, follow the manufacturer's directions.
- 3. Reclean the surface using an isopropanol cleaner.
- 4. Prepare the roof panel for placement of the stripe.
 - 1. Locate and mark the center line of the roof panel in at least 3 places using a non-staining marker.



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

Remove the liner paper from the adhesive side of the new stripe decal and wet with the water/soap solution. Spray the roof panel with the water/soap solution. Align the decal release paper edge with the center line and front character line of the roof panel.

- Beginning at the center and working outward to the edges, use a plastic squeegee to remove the excess air and water/soap solution until the stripe decal is firmly adhered.
- Wet the release paper with the water/soap solution and slowly remove the release paper, pulling at 180 degrees and a diagonal to the stripe decal.
- Repeat for the matching roof stripe.
- Remove the locating marks from the roof panel.



6. 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 applied to assist in removal of small creases or irregularities.