

# KB KUSTOMS FLAME MASKS ~ ~ INSTRUCTION SHEET ~ ~

## Step 1~~Preparing the car

It is most important that you prep your car as good as you can to start with!! Make sure it is clean, free of grease or oil and sanded well with 320 or 400 grit paper. If the casting has been stripped of its original paint and is now bare metal, sand lightly with 320 grit paper, then add primer coat as needed to fill minor scratches and defects in the casting, plus, this adds some adhesion to the overall paint job!! After this primer coat is dry, sand VERY lightly with 400 grit paper, use a cheese/tack cloth to remove small debris and now it is ready for the rest of the painting!!

## Step 2~~Spray the color for flames

Next, spray the color for the flames in the area the masks will be applied. If you are doing just the sides in flames, you only have to coat that area, but, may be better to spray the entire car in case you decide to add flames on the hood or roof as well. You can get as creative as you want with this step. Adding a base color of yellow for example, followed by a FADE of orange where the end of the flame mask will be applied will give you yellow to orange color fade flames. Allow to dry, then, **clear coat lightly** and allow the entire paint job at this point to dry thoroughly. The clear coat will protect your base color from peeling when the mask is removed.

## Step 3~~Apply the Flame Masks

After the base color and clear have dried completely (usually at least 24 hours, but, will vary depending on the type of paint you are using), select and apply an "INNER" KB Kustoms Flame Mask in the area you want your flames. I recommend that you remove the selected set of flames with tweezers or exacto knife from the sheet. Place the mask in the desired location and check its alignment. DO NOT press down on the mask until you are certain the alignment is where you want it. When you have it where it needs to be, rub LIGHTLY with your finger or use the smooth side of the backing paper to smooth out the flame mask and adhere it to the surface. Flat areas are best, but, the masks will contour over some curves in the body as well. The "OUTER" portion of each mask can also be utilized, just reverse the above process and paint the base color first.

## Step 4~~Apply Top Color

NOTE: This step assumes you are using the INNER portion of the FlameMasks. First, make sure that the edges and tips of the masks are adhered well and not raised at some point or you will have a condition of paint getting under the masks causing a softer, less defined edge at that point. When all edges are down, top coat with main color, allow a few minutes to dry so it is tacky but, not dry, then CAREFULLY remove the mask!! You may want to use tweezers to grab an edge, work from the largest part of the mask to the tips peeling up at an angle for best results. Now just clear coat and YOU GOT FLAMES!!!!!! **NOTE:** when removing masks, occasionally a small amount of adhesive could remain on the surface. If this adhesive cannot be removed with tweezers, then, use a clean soft cloth with either an automotive quality Wax and Grease remover such as PPGs DX-330 Acyli-Clean or in some cases "Goo-Gone" citris based cleaner may be the better option and should be safe to apply topcoats after the excess adhesive is removed.

## Repeated Usage

You can store your mask for another use!! Just reapply to the coated paper backing or wax paper so you can use it again!!!! If you are careful removing them, you can reuse the masks several times before the adhesive is not sticky enough to hold the mask in place or paint build up causes rough edges.

While I cannot assure your results will be good at all times, if you follow these instructions your experience should give you a great Kustom with KILLER FLAMES!!! Feel free to experiment with different base coats and top colors and send me pics of your completed kustoms to add to the User Gallery!!

**THANKS for your purchase and Good Luck with your Projects!!**

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