To begin:

1. **Clean** and measure the outside surface of the window. Add one-half inch to measurements on all sides to provide excess material for easy install.

2. **Separate** CollidEscape from its protective liner. Note: the tacky adhesive is to be applied to the outside surface of the window to work as a bird strike preventative.

3. **Dampen** the entire surface of the window with a spray bottle or hose. This moisture can help prevent the tacky surface of the CollidEscape from adhering too aggressively during the initial positioning onto the window.

4. **Adhere** the CollidEscape. If the window is wider than the provided CollidEscape, overlap two pieces, making sure to line up the holes/perforations. (see bonus seaming instructions for details).

5. **Trim** to remove the excess material with a utility knife, taking care to avoid any gasket or glazing. Enjoy!

**PRO TIPS**

- For larger pieces, only expose the top edge of adhesive, so when aligned to the pane of glass, only the top first inch or two of the adhesive is applied to establish position.

- A little mild soap in the water will make it even more slippery; NOT grease cutting! We recommend Ivory or equivalent.

- When doing large windows, or for really hot days, we skip the soap and turn on a fan sprinkler onto the top of the glass; the constant flow of water across the entire surface really makes installation a snap, lubricating the surface so the adhesive slides into position while keeping both the CollidEscape and the glass cool - this technique will work all the way down to near freezing temperatures.

- Apply first to the top edge of window, leaving excess on all sides. If the top edge is adhered, gently pull down on the liner to expose more adhesive, gently applying the film as the liner is removed, smooth onto window surface with your fingertips or the gentle edge of a hard card.

Below 50F/ 5C? Careful - CollidEscape can become brittle. Visit CollidEscape.org for additional Cold Weather Instructions
How to Seam

Covering a window that requires two pieces of CollidEscape? Create what is known as a "butt seam", which will make the transition between two pieces virtually disappear - from both the inside AND the outside.

Step 1: Overlap

After a first piece of CollidEscape is fully applied to the surface of the glass, a second piece may be aligned to the first to complete the full coverage of the window. It’s possible to use the micro-perforations as a guide to slide the second piece into near perfect alignment with the first.

Apply following the standard instructions provided, but the key is wetting the surface of the glass as much as you can, so that the second piece to be easily slid into position, overlapping the original piece by a half inch or so, and aligning the holes.

Step 2: Cut

Both pieces should now be fully applied to the surface of the glass, with only a doubling of the material at the seam. Using a straight edge and a sharp knife, make a cut that splits the overlap through both layers of CollidEscape to the surface of the glass.

Step 3: Remove Overlap (part 1)

It should be possible now to remove a strip of overlap from the seam - simply peel off. But how to remove the excess CollidEscape trapped underneath?

Step 4: Remove Overlap (part 2)

There will now only be a small strip of overlap trapped under the second applied piece of CollidEscape - our Low initial tack adhesive backing to the rescue! Gently peel back one edge of the overlap and pulp the extra strip off the glass. Pull away from the second applied piece of CollidEscape, resulting in a slight hinge a flap of maternal now lifted of the surface of the glass. Gently re-apply this flap to the glass with your fingertip, and the holes along the seam should perfectly align!

It's just that simple. Feel free to contact us with ANY questions or concerns along the way.

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PRO TIP

Sometimes, minor stretching occurred during installation of the first place, and the holes might not line up perfectly by first tacking the material in place by working from the center, it is possible to gently pull on the outside edge of the second piece to gently stretch the second CollidEscape piece, and tacking the material down with your fingertip so that the holes align.

This is remarkably simple in practice. Ideally, the holes will align but if they do not perfectly, a hairline seam may be visible when complete. Either way, a lifetime of performance will still be enjoyed.