

## **Application to Boats**

Vinyl can normally be applied to boats, for use below the waterline, however it is very dependent on the type of boat substrate, the condition of it, and the method of application.

It is important when applying the vinyl that the adhesive has cured to the surface, which is normally 36 hours though depends on application conditions. Particular care should be given to make sure the surface is clean, dry and free from contamination, and to sure vinyl edges are stuck. See also considerations for painted surfaces, and different types of plastics. None of the Metamark products are suitable for inflatable boats.

For application to rigid surfaces, Cast vinyl such as MDC or MDX is the most suitable because its conformable and therefore acheives best adhesion, and is most resistant to the accelerated weathering a boat experiences. Calendered Vinyl such as 7 Series or MD5 is suitable for smooth flat or slightly curved surfaces. All digital prints must be overlaminated.

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