



THORNDOWN

## PEELABLE GLASS PAINT APPLICATION ADVICE

Please do not paint this on to your greenhouse unless weather conditions are consistently warm and/or dry with a strong sun.

When painting externally it is always recommended to make sure no rain is forecast within 24 hours of application. When painting glass paint onto glass or plastic materials this is even more essential, as the paint coating has to bond to a slippery surface.

Do not apply when night time temperatures are cold/freezing and humidity and condensation levels are high overnight and in the morning.

These poor night conditions will negatively impact on the drying process and although the coating will appear dry and be touch dry, it will not cure and bond to the glass properly. Painting in the morning on a good day gives the coating more chance of drying.

If the paint hasn't had enough time to dry and bond completely, any rain can get under the coating causing slippage, or break it down, and/or wash it off.

If you are applying a 2nd coat to external panes whether on the interior or exterior, then you need to allow a greater period of time for the 1st coat to bond and fix properly. We recommend leaving to dry for 24 hours before applying a 2nd coat and in cooler damper months such as early spring, late autumn and winter, leave the 1st coat for 48 hours before applying a 2nd coat. If the 1st coat hasn't fully fixed and you apply a 2nd coat too soon, you are making the 1st coat wetter, extending the drying time greatly and can destabilise the coating leading to slippage.

For best results apply with a roller using a foam sleeve.

If you have any questions please visit the website [www.thorndown.co.uk](http://www.thorndown.co.uk) where there is lots of advice and information, or email us on [studio@thorndown.co.uk](mailto:studio@thorndown.co.uk) or call on 01458 258588.

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## **T** HORNDOWN PEELABLE GLASS PAINT REMOVAL ADVICE

When it's time to remove the Peelable Glass Paint coating, just pick at a corner to bring up a piece of the coating, hold between your fingers and peel. Edges can be thinner so get hold of a thick section. The whole coating should come off in one sheet.

If the coating is thin and/or dried out during hot weather, dampen thoroughly with water to restore the elasticity of the coating, leave for about 10-15 minutes then peel off. You can dampen with a sponge, cloth, plant mister, or if external with a hosepipe.

Drying out can happen if left on for a long time over a long season and coatings on polycarbonate and acetate/plastic materials can be more prone to drying out than glass.

Alternatively if you have any leftover Peelable Glass Paint, apply another coating on top, preferably with a roller as they create a more cohesive coating, leave to dry for 24-48 hours so it bonds to the old coating, then peel all coatings off in one go.

If the coating is thin and patchy such as with small stencils, then it may be easier to remove with a paint scraper. Paint scrapers aren't recommended on plastics.

Structural integrity of the coating is essential for it being able to peel off, hence the thicker the coating the easier it is to remove.

If the above methods don't work you can use a soap solution with a high ph value, like a dilute alkaline soap solution. We have found that household kitchen bleach sprays also work well. Soak the coating with the solution/spray and leave to work for 5-10 minutes, then you should be able to wipe the old coating off with a cloth.

You can view a raft of videos by visiting <https://thorndown.co.uk/projects/thorndown-paint-videos/#removal> to help you see how easy removal is with tips and advice.