

Lesson 2

Preparing the Vinyl Cutter



Selecting the Vinyl

- The library has a supply of vinyl in different colours:
 - Sign Vinyl: White, Black, Blue
 - Heat Transfer Vinyl: White, Black, Blue, Red, Yellow, Purple
- The sign vinyl has a shine to it on the outside while the heat transfer vinyl has a bit of texture to it on the inside
- Colours can run out, if urgent please call ahead to make sure the colour is available





Bringing Your Own Vinyl

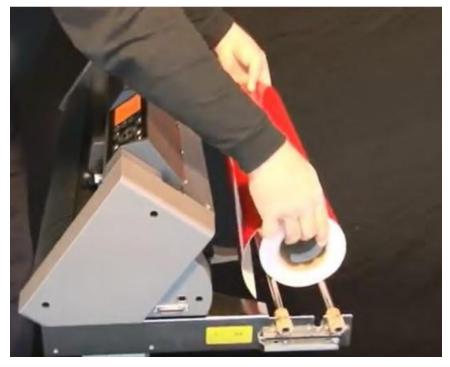
- If you bring your own vinyl, we can't guarantee it will work on our machine, but you are welcome to try it out
- Make sure you bring any included information such as required temperature for the heat press





Loading the Vinyl

- Rolls of vinyl need to be placed on the rods behind the cutter
- The are two stoppers that should be on each side of the roll to keep it straight. They can be adjusted to fit the roll of vinyl
- After adjusting the stoppers, the vinyl can be pushed through the front of the machine (Don't tighten them yet)

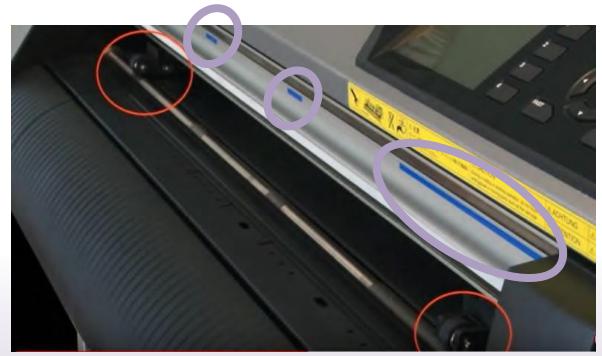






Adjusting the Rollers

- There are blue lines on the front of the vinyl cutter that the rollers must align to
- The right most roller has a long blue line so it's usually best to adjust the left roller first
- Pull up the back latch to lock the vinyl in place





Lining up the Rollers





Turning on the Machine

- There's an on/off switch on the left side of the machine
- When the machine is first turned on it will ask you to select what you loaded
- Choose 1 if you're using a roll of vinyl and 3 if you're using your own vinyl sheet





Checking the Condition

- There are two preset settings, one for the heat transfer vinyl and one for the sign vinyl
- The vinyl cutter has a display which shows which condition it is set to
- Hold down the ENTER button with one hand to bring up the condition selection menu one of the numbers with your other hand





Checking the Condition

- If you're using Heat Transfer, make sure it's set to Condition 1
- If you're using Sign Vinyl, make sure it's set to Condition 2
- The text should match the vinyl you wish to use
- Always double check before you start cutting or your design may not cut properly!







Summary

- The library has both Sign and Heat Transfer Vinyl
- You can bring your own vinyl at your own risk
- Vinyl rolls must be adjusted to be properly loaded
- There are two preset conditions, one for each type of vinyl