



## Using New and Improved EPSON Iron-On Cool Peel Transfers

If you've enjoyed EPSON Iron-On transfers before, you'll like these even more!

Here's why:

Cool peel process makes it easy for everyone in the family to share in creating iron-on projects!

Improved image quality and resolution!

Superior image feel and fabric texture before and after washing!

With [EPSON Iron-On Cool Peel Transfers](#), you can transfer your images and photos to T-shirts, sweatshirts, tablecloths, napkins, aprons, or just about any cotton or cotton-blend fabric. For best results, use light coloured material with a smooth texture.

### What You'll Need

Before you start, make sure you have these items:

- \* EPSON Iron-On Cool Peel Transfers
- \* Any EPSON Color ink jet printer
- \* Flat, hard, smooth, non-porous ironing surface that will not be damaged by heat.  
Do not use an ironing board, wood, glass or metal.
- \* Pillowcase
- \* Item to receive transfer image (T-shirt, apron, etc.)
- \* Hand iron or heat press

Note: If using a commercial heat press, set the temperature for 375 degrees F and press for 20 seconds.

### Creating the Image

You can use any application to create the image. Just make you that you select the "Flip Horizontal" option in the EPSON stylus Printer driver so the image will be transferred correctly onto the fabric. If your image does not include any text, you may not need to reverse the image when printing it.

### Printing the Image

When you are ready to print your image, follow these steps:

1. In the EPSON Stylus printer driver select "360 dpi + Ink Jet Paper" for the Media Type. (This setting will also automatically select 360 dpi for the Print Quality setting.)
2. Make sure you select "Flip Horizontal" in the EPSON Stylus printer driver so the image will be printed backwards. (See your printer manual if you need instructions for using the printer driver.)

Note: This flip feature is only in the newer printer drivers. If you have an earlier printer model you must mirror the image using a software application such as Sierra's Print Artist which came with some Epson printer models.

3. Insert a single sheet of transfer paper into the printer with the blank side (the printable surface) loaded correctly your printer. (See your printer manual if necessary).

Note: For Epson printer models which feed paper from the top, make sure the notch of the transfer paper is in the upper right hand corner and that the paper is not curled or bent.

For Epson printer models which feed paper from the front lower tray, make sure the notch of the transfer paper is on the right hand side facing out from the printer.

4. Set the printer's adjust lever to the "0" position.
5. Print the image.
6. After you have printed the image, use scissors to trim away the blank paper around it. Leave a border of about 1/4 inch on all sides.

### **Testing Your Iron**

These instructions are for an "average iron". Some irons run hotter than others. Conduct a test run to prevent scorching your fabric item. If you suspect that your iron runs cool, you may want to increase the suggested ironing times.

If you have never ironed a transfer before, you may want to try a practice run first with a small image on an old piece of material you don't need; then you can get a feel for the process before you start with your good image.

### **Preparing to Iron**

1. Preheat the iron on the highest temperature setting and wait until it is ready before ironing the transfer. The iron must be very hot. Do not use steam.
2. Fold the pillowcase in half and place it on the ironing surface with the open end hanging over the edge. Smooth it flat so there are no wrinkles. Make sure there are no seams on the ironing surface.
3. Place the fabric item to receive the transfer on the centre of the pillowcase. Smooth the fabric so there are no wrinkles.
4. Iron the pillowcase and fabric so they are smooth before ironing on the transfer.
5. Place the printed transfer image face down on the fabric where you would like to transfer the image.

### **Caution**

Be very careful not to touch the iron or the heated surface of the paper. Set the iron down in a safe place when you are not using it and keep children away from the iron and the hot transfer surface.

The best technique for transferring an image depends on the size of the transfer; follow the appropriate instructions below for a large or small image.

### **Ironing a Large Image**

#### **Steps 1-6: Adhere the Image to the fabric**

Using the widest part of the iron is very important in making a transfer that is long lasting. Using the narrow tip of the iron will not provide the best results.

Beginning at the upper left corner (Step 1) and using firm pressure slowly move the iron across the transfer sheet for 30seconds. Repeat this procedure for the middle (step 2) and lower (step

3) sections of the transfer sheet.

After completing steps #1, #2 and #3, turn the iron around as illustrated below. This time, starting from the lower left corner (step 4), slowly move the iron across the transfer sheet for 30seconds, using firm pressure, repeat this procedure for the middle (step 5) and upper (Step 6) sections of the transfer sheet.

### **Step 7: Permanently set the Image into the fabric**

Make 30 continuous circles with the iron around the transfer sheet. Make sure all edges of the transfer paper are ironed with each circular motion. Each ironed circle takes about 4 seconds. Be sure to continue using firm pressure

### **Step 8: Remove the paper from the fabric**

After making the final circle, set the iron safely to one side. Wait between one and two minutes for the transfer to cool starting with any corner. Peel the transfer sheet away from the fabric item. Removing the paper may be more difficult if it is allowed to cool for too long.

### **Ironing a Small Image**

Small images (4" x 4" or less) are easier to transfer than larger ones.

1. Start with the iron on one side of the transfer. Slowly move the iron across the transfer for 5 seconds. This will secure the transfer onto the fabric item.
2. Pressing firmly, wiggle the iron over the image, moving it constantly for 45 seconds to 1 minute. Be sure not to scorch your fabric item.
3. Set the iron safely to one side. Wait between one and two minutes for the transfer to cool. Starting with any corner, peel the transfer sheet away from the fabric item. Removing the paper may be more difficult if it is allowed to cool for too long.

### **Tip**

If you will be applying more than one image on the fabric, make sure they are spaced far enough apart so you can iron one without touching another image that has already been transferred.

### **Washing Your New Creation**

Your new EPSON transfer creation is sturdy and machine washable, but you can protect the colour and quality by following these simple washing guidelines:

Wash in cold water only. If possible, use a detergent with colour protection.

If you are washing a T-shirt or other similar garment, turn it inside out before washing. Wash it by itself as the some colours may run slightly the first time it is washed. If the colours run, they will usually wash out the second time the article is washed.

Remove the article as soon as the washing machine completes its cycle. Colours may run if the article is allowed to sit before drying.

Dry it in the dryer with normal settings.

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