

## How To Install

### Unroll The DashMat

Allow mat to lie flat overnight for a minimum of 12 hours.

*You must do this for the mat to fit correctly.*

### Clean Your Dashboard Area

Wipe off dust and grime. Use a small rag and denatured or rubbing alcohol to remove any vinyl protectants, polishes, waxes or preservatives from the areas where you will place the self-adhesive "hook" fasteners.

#### NOTE

First test the rubbing alcohol on an unseen location of the dash to make sure there is no reaction with the vinyl. If there is a reaction, clean with a mild detergent instead.

### Set The DashMat In Place

Make sure the defrost vent cutouts align with the vehicle defrost vents. Speakers will not have cutouts. On some cars, the material must be pushed forward between the dash and the windshield. Use a wooden ruler / paint stick if necessary.

### Pre-Shape

Speed up the shaping process by bending and/or creasing the DashMat to help it conform to the curves and indentations in the vehicle dash. If possible, steam the mat using a hand held steamer letting the steam penetrate the material to help soften it before installation. This will ensure proper fitting.

*Do not steam DashMat directly on vehicle dashboard.*

### Applying The Fasteners

After the DashMat is in place and has been shaped by hand, cut the self-adhesive hook fasteners into 1" long pieces and apply the fasteners where needed on the dashboard. Press the DashMat down onto each fastener. Normally a few fasteners applied near the windshield - at each side of the dash, around the front edge, at the instrumentation, and passenger side at the contours - this will hold the DashMat in place while it shapes to the dash. If you wish to remove a fastener, peel it slowly away from the dashboard and use a citrus based solvent for any remaining adhesive.

*You must use the fasteners to ensure a proper fit of the DashMat.*



### Installation Notes

- If your DashMat seems too big and/or hangs over the front of the dash check that the mat is pushed all the way back between the glass and the dashboard. The vent cutouts should match the defrost vents. DashMats may require trimming on the windshield edge because of auto assembly tolerances or variations in the position of replacement windshields.
- If the fastener strips won't stick to the dash, thoroughly clean all areas with a mild detergent or rubbing alcohol. The adhesive backing won't stick to a dashboard that is dirty, dusty, or has vinyl or polish protectant applied.
- Speaker areas are generally covered with the exception if the speaker/s are slightly raised.
- Plasticizer Migration occurs when the plastic formulation inside the dashboard begins to break down and migrate or flow. This results in a darkened burnt-looking area appearing on the top of the dashboard. This indicates a weakness inside the dashboard of certain model years (primarily older vehicles) and may occur on both covered and uncovered dashboards. DashMat assumes no responsibility for such incidences.

### **Cleaning Instructions**

- Cleaning your custom DashMat cover is best done by vacuum.
- For stain removal such as spilled drinks spot cleaning the area with warm soapy water is recommend letting the dash cover air dry.
- Using carpet cleaners is not recommend.
- NEVER clean a DashMat in a washing machine or put in an Air Dryer.

### **IMPORTANT WARNINGS – PLEASE READ BEFORE USING DASHMAT!**

#### **ATTENTION:**

Your DashMat has been manufactured to allow for proper deployment of the airbag safety system. Special design and cutting allowances for the DashMat have been made so as not to restrict the passenger side air bag system. You MUST NOT apply any fasteners to this area since they could (or would) restrict proper airbag deployment.

**DashMat assumes no responsibility for incorrect installation or alteration of DashMat products resulting in improper airbag deployment.**