



ELEMENT/GLO™

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IMPORTANT!

Some or all of your mosaics require a vinyl protective adhesive to be adhered to your mosaic tiles' surface before installation. During the pool plastering process, mosaics will be troweled over many times. Element Glo mosaics are resin-based and susceptible to scratches during the troweling process. The vinyl adhesive that is included with your mosaic will protect the surface of your mosaic tiles from getting scratched while your new pool surface is being installed.

- **If your mosaic came with the vinyl adhesive included**, please take a moment to stick the vinyl to the mosaic tiles BEFORE you give them to your contractor to install. Please instruct them to leave the vinyl on the mosaic until they are done troweling.
- **If your mosaic already has the vinyl attached to the surface**, please instruct your contractors to leave the vinyl on the mosaic tiles until they are done troweling.
- **If your mosaic does not have vinyl included** and is not attached, it does not require a vinyl adhesive before installation. Instead, the mosaic surface is textured for installation.

NOTE: The vinyl adhesive application is to protect the integrity of each mosaic tile's surface. If the vinyl is not placed on the mosaic before installation, it's okay. When the pool is filled with water, the scratches dissipate, are hardly noticeable, and will not detract from the glow of your mosaic.

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- 1 Please leave the vinyl protection layer on the surface during the application process, as it will protect mosaic tiles from getting scratched. Once you have completed the troweling, you can remove the vinyl using your fingertips or lightly pull it up using any pointed tool to reveal the mosaic top.
- 2 Adhere mosaic to the surface (wall or ground) using the base plaster or Thinset mortar you will be installing at least one day before the final plaster or pebble finish. **NOTE:** Trim the mesh of the mosaic to size, but do not remove it. The mesh keeps the mosaic together and makes installation much easier.
- 3 Apply and trowel plaster or pebble surface as usual, but stay mindful where your glow mosaics are located as some smaller mosaics may be difficult to identify under the plaster. To assist in finding the mosaics after plaster is applied, some installers have placed a tape tab on the center tile of the mosaic. The tape tab sticks up, giving the installers a visual reference to the mosaic's location.
- 4 When troweling is complete, remove the vinyl protective layer to reveal the colorful mosaic tiles.
- 5 While rinsing and applying an acid wash on the entire surface. There is no need to avoid the mosaic. Apply the acid wash and rinse naturally. **DO NOT wipe the mosaic while acid is applied - only rinse the top with water.**