IMPORTANT WARNINGS-PLEASE READ BEFORE USING COVER!

WARNING TO OWNERS OF REPAINTED VEHICLES: Use of a cover on any recently painted surface may cause damage to that surface! If your vehicle has been repainted, check with the painter or body shop on the specifics of how and when you can use this cover.

WARNING FOR USE IN HIGH WIND AREAS: When using this cover in high wind areas (and for prolonged storage), use the loops and rope provided to securely pull the cover tight under the center of the car. This should be done even if the optional lock and cable is being used. The cover is not designed to replace a garage and should be checked for flapping in high winds. If wind goes under the cover, it can cause it to work loose and come off the vehicle.

PERSONALIZED MARKING INSTRUCTIONS: The application of large letters and/or numbers on the side or front of the cover showing the vehicle's license plate or name(s) is one of the best methods for protecting your cover against theft. If you choose to put identification markings on your cover please note the following:

- DO NOT use regular or spray paint!
- DO NOT use laundry markers or "permanent" type Magic markers.
- DO NOT use any type of felt-tip pen or marker.

The only type of marking paint that is acceptable for use on this material is <u>a permanent type fabric/T-shirt paint</u>. This paint is readily available in a variety of colors at most fabric and art supply stores. Follow the manufacturer's instructions. You may need to use more than a single coating of the fabric paint for marking the outside of the cover with your personalized markings.

WARNING - Markers and regular paint will not adhere to the fabric and can transfer their color onto the vehicle finish.

HAZING OF WINDOWS AND PAINT: Airborne pollutants may be deposited on the windows or paint while a vehicle is being driven or when parked uncovered. These deposits may become smeared and create a haze when the cover is used. The haze can be wiped off with a damp cloth or washed off with water.

LIMITED FOUR (4) YEAR WARRANTY

WeatherShield covers are warranted for four (4) years from date of purchase to the original purchaser. Warranty coverage protects against defects in material and workmanship as well as the fabric becoming unserviceable during normal use. After factory inspection, we will repair or replace the cover **or** specific panels judged to be unusable. Warranty **does not** cover fading, which occurs naturally on all products used outdoors. For technical questions call 800-4-COVERS, between 9AM and 5PM CST, Monday through Friday. Or, email sales@covercraft.com.

To process your warranty claim, contact:

CAR COVER DIVISION

100 Enterprise Blvd. Pauls Valley, OK 73075

NOTE - Car covers are not designed for use when towing. Serious damage can occur to the cover and the paint surface of the vehicle may also be damaged. If you use a cover for towing you do so at your own risk.

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Instructions for the Use and Care of

WeatherShield Custom Covers

Your new WeatherShield® cover is manufactured with a durable fabric, finished with the patented Nextec® encapsulation process. The material provides a high degree of protection against all weather conditions, dust, birds and tree droppings, pollutants and salt air, while remaining breathable and soft against any fine paint finish. It's light weight, easy to handle, and compact to take up minimum storage space. Best of all, it can be easily cleaned in most home washing machines and dryers.



INSTALLATION

The front of the cover has been marked with a logo or a pattern number and the word "front" to help in positioning the cover on the vehicle (see Fig. A). If your cover is equipped with mirror pockets (most late-model custom-fit patterns only), it is **very important** that the mirror pockets be placed **over the side mirrors** before the ends of the cover are stretched over the front and rear bumpers.

Some vehicles have very sharp bumpers, hood ornaments, moldings, etc. We recommend that you reinforce the inside of the cover at areas exposed to severe abrasion using cloth-reinforced duct tape or Mystic brand tape which may be purchased at hardware, plumbing or automotive stores. This will help extend the use of your WeatherShield cover.

NOTE - If your vehicle has an outside radio antenna which will not retract flush with the body of the vehicle, remove the antenna before installation of the cover. Remove the antenna by unscrewing the mast from the base. The first time you do this a tool may be needed to loosen the mast. Use care not to scratch the mast or base. The antenna should then be installed and removed by hand, tighten it hand-tight. If you choose to create an opening in the cover for the antenna, follow these instructions:

1) The most accurate way to make an antenna opening is to remove the antenna and install the cover on the vehicle, making sure it is properly aligned and

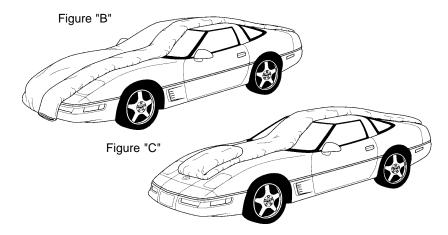
positioned. Using a sharp pencil, punch a hole through the fabric at the antenna location. Be careful to avoid hitting the vehicle finish with the pencil. If the antenna is not easily removed, see procedure #2.

2) Place the cover on the vehicle **except** for the fender or body panel where the antenna is located. For example, if the antenna is located on the front fender on the passenger side, roll or fold the cover away from the antenna and cover all the remaining area of the vehicle. (**Do not** attempt to place the cover over the top of the antenna.) Center the cover, align both seams with the roof edges and be sure the cover is pulled down evenly over the front and rear bumpers. Carefully unfold the portion of the cover that is next to the antenna and position it next to the base of the antenna. Recheck the overall positioning of the cover to make sure it has not moved on the vehicle. Make sure the cover lies flat over the hood and roof areas of the vehicle. Mark the cover with the location of the antenna base and make a hole with a sharp pencil. When installing the cover, remember to place it over the antenna **before** putting the mirror pockets over the mirrors.

REMOVAL

The following procedure will make it easier to remove and install the cover whenever it is used.

- 1) Release both ends of the cover from under the bumpers.
- 2) Fold up both sides onto the top of the vehicle into a long pile approximately 2 feet (60 cm) wide. (See Fig.B)
- 3) Start at the front of the vehicle and fold the cover in three foot (1 meter) folds from the front to the back.



If you use the same procedure each time, you will find it only takes about a minute to install or to remove the cover.

The elastic at each end of the cover will keep it in place under all normal conditions. Use care in installing the cover on a car which has just been driven, to be sure any hot exhaust pipes are given a few minutes to cool.

CLEANING AND WASHING INSTRUCTIONS

Any cover will slowly collect dust on its underside, picked up from contact with the surface of the vehicle. Most car-model WeatherShield covers may be washed using a home-type washing machine and dryer, but larger commercial machines work best due to the extra volume of water used for washing and rinsing.

NOTE - Dirt on the cover's surface will degrade its ability to repel water. This condition is termed "wet-out". If you notice a deterioration in the performance of your cover, please wash it first according to the following instructions.

Use a powder type detergent <u>WITHOUT</u> bleach. The detergent <u>MUST</u> be completely dissolved in the water, before the washing process begins. Wash cover using "Normal" or "Permanent Press" cycles in cold or warm water. **DO NOT WASHIN HOT WATER!** Run cover through two or more rinse cycles - it is important that all the detergent be removed. The cover can be dried in most home dryers. Use the "Permanent Press" settings. <u>DO NOT</u> use fabric softener. You may need to "fluff" the cover in the dryer to assure all surfaces are dry. When the cover feels completely dry, continue drying the fabric for an additional 20 to 30 minutes. This actually helps revitalize the fabric encapsulation polymers.

Extensive testing by the Nextec Labs has identified three key cleaning points:

- 1 Be sure the detergent is pre-dissolved in the wash water.
- 2 The detergent must be rinsed thoroughly from the fabric (2 or 3 rinse cycles).
- 3 Longer drying times equate to better performance.

Another way to clean the dust from either the inside or outside of the cover is to put it on the vehicle and hose it off. To clean the inside, put the cover on the vehicle inside-out (this can only be done if you do not have an external antenna). After rinsing off the cover, leave it on the vehicle to dry. Then fold it and return it to the trunk or usual storage place.

If the cover becomes soiled in a few spots, light brushing with a soft rag will remove most dirt. For persistent soils:

- 1) Wet the soiled area with water.
- 2) Wash with a mix of water and powder detergent, working the lather into the soiled area using a sponge.
- 3) Rinse thoroughly with water to remove all detergent residue.
- 4) Air dry completely.

OPTIONAL LOCKING DEVICE

Your new cover is equipped with plastic (non-scratch) grommets, reinforced into the bottom edge on both sides of the cover. A plastic-coated, steel cable with padlock and keys is available to lock through the grommets and secure the cover to the vehicle. Consult your dealer for availability.

An added theft deterrent is the application of large letters on the sides of the cover. Print your name or license number on the cover to make it uninviting to a prospective thief. (Note - see warning for use of ink and markers)