## **Bumper Paint Process From Raw Steel**

NOTE: Always follow the paint and product manufacturer instructions used for the paint and process to ensure safe use and proper results. Plan ahead to allow proper dry/flash time between products and painting steps. Always wear protective clothing during the paint process with proper respiratory protection and eye protection when handling chemicals and throughout this process.

## These steps listed below are recommendations/suggestions only.

-Raw bumpers may show surface rust, a quick media blast is the fastest way to get rid of surface rust.

-Completely clean the parts inside and out with wax and grease remover supplies. Remove all possible contaminants from the surface of the parts before further prepping or painting.

-Sand (DA) the outside of the parts with 120 or 180 grit to smooth out the surface for paint prep.

-Completely clean the parts inside and out once sanding is complete.Use wax and grease remover to remove all possible contaminants.

-Use Bare Metal Etch Prime for the inside and outside of all bumper parts. The etch prime must be done prior to any primer being applied for proper adhesion.

-Apply a MINIMUM of two coats of High Build Primer to the parts.

-Paint the back side/inner side of the bumpers with a satin black paint. The inside of the parts can also be painted body color, if desired.

-Sand the recesses in the pockets/hook mount areas of the bumper, if present.

-Thoroughly clean the sanded areas and areas with sanding residue before applying seam sealer over the seams in the hook mounting areas.

-Mask off the back side of the bumper to prevent paint overspray, if desired.

-After allowing the seam sealer the necessary amount of time to dry, block sand and/or DA sand the bumper assembly with the desired sanding grit for the painting process.

-Completely clean the parts inside and out once sanding is complete.Use wax and grease remover to remove all possible contaminants.

-Apply sealer.

-Apply color/paint.

-Apply clear coat.

-Denib & Polish bumpers, if desired, after the paint has fully cured.

-If the backside of the bumpers have been masked off at this point, remove the masking materials and rust proof the seams/joints on the backside of the bumper with an appropriate rust proofing material. This will help to prevent rust in these seams and other areas. Recommended: LIKE 90 10012 Dry Film Clear or equivalent.

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