

CARE AND MAINTENANCE OF MOLDED-IN-COLOR BODY PANELS

GENERAL

The purpose of this bulletin is to provide special care and maintenance instructions required for molded-in-color body panels that are standard on all 2000 Model Year Buell Blast™ P3 motorcycles.

Molded-in-color surfaces look like painted surfaces, but are not. The color pigment is mixed in with the material when the part is made, not applied over the surface. Molded-in-color panels require different maintenance than painted surfaces to maintain their original shine. Using methods that work on painted surfaces may ruin the finish of molded-in-color parts.

CAUTION

Use of abrasive products or powered buffing equipment will cause permanent cosmetic damage to molded-in-color body panels. Use only the recommended products and techniques outlined in this bulletin to avoid damaging molded-in-color body panels.

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Do not use touch-up paint on molded-in-color body panels.

RECOMMENDED PRODUCTS

Products recommended for the proper care and maintenance of molded-in-color body panels are listed below:

- Harley Wash (Part No. 99715-90) or Harley Sun Wash (Part No. 94659-98).
- Harley Gloss (Part No. 94627-98).
- Harley Glaze Polish and Sealant (Part No. 99701-84).
- Harley Swirl and Scratch Treatment (Part No. 94655-98)
- Harley Softcloth (Part No. 94656-98)

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Decals

NOTE

The body panels on Blast P3 Models are shipped from the factory untreated and ready for decal application.

If Personal F/X™ decals are to be applied to molded-in-color body panels, they must be applied to the original, untreated surface for proper adhesion. If Harley Glaze Polish and Sealant or similar product has been applied to the panels, the decal will not adhere properly. Apply wax and grease remover, such as Dupont's Prep-Sol to treated panels to remove Harley Glaze prior to applying decals for best results. Prep-Sol is available at most automotive aftermarket dealers. Follow instructions on product for proper usage. Prep-Sol will not affect molded-in-color panels.

Washing

To wash molded-in-color panels follow the instructions below:

1. Rinse surface with water.
2. Wash with Harley Wash or Harley Sun Wash.
3. Rinse surface thoroughly with water.
4. Dry with a clean chamois or soft dry natural fiber cloth.

Cleaning for Display/Between Washings

Untreated molded-in-color body panels sometimes have a static charge that attracts dust. Applying Harley Gloss or Harley Glaze Polish and Sealant to molded-in-color surfaces will eliminate this condition.

To keep a high gloss finish on molded-in-color panels while displaying motorcycles on showroom floor follow the instructions below:

1. Spray Harley Gloss onto surface and wipe with a clean soft natural fiber cloth or Harley Softcloth.

NOTE

Rain or water will remove Harley Gloss from body panels.

2. Reapply Harley Gloss as required to keep surfaces looking their best.

Polishing

Polishing molded-in-color body panels results in greater surface gloss and a protective coating.

Customers should be instructed to apply Harley Glaze Polish and Sealant every six months or as required to keep molded-in-color panels protected and looking their best.

1. Clean and dry surfaces to be polished (see *Washing*).
2. Apply Harley Glaze Polish and Sealant to clean, slightly dampened cloth or sponge and apply to surface with a light overlapping motion. Make sure to cover all areas.
3. Let Harley Glaze Polish and Sealant dry to a haze and buff off residue with a clean soft cloth or Harley Softcloth.

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MAINTENANCE

Minor Scratch Removal

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Use of abrasive products or powered buffing equipment will cause permanent cosmetic damage to molded-in-color body panels. Use only recommended products and techniques outlined in this bulletin to avoid damaging molded-in-color body panels.

To remove minor scratches from body panels follow the instructions below.

1. To remove light surface scratches and rubs, use Harley Swirl and Scratch Treatment as recommended.
2. Make sure Swirl and Scratch Treatment is applied with a moist cloth and by hand (not by machine).
3. After scratch or rub has been repaired, polish surface lightly with Harley Glaze.

NOTE

Black body panels are more prone to suffer permanent cosmetic damage if attempts to remove scratches are overdone.

Major Scratches

There is no repair procedure for severely scratched surfaces. Severely scratched body panels must be replaced.