# **Iron-On Patch Application Manual**

### **Materials Needed**

- Iron-on patch
- Iron (with temperature control)
- Pressing cloth or parchment paper
- Clean, flat surface
- Garment or fabric item
- Ruler or measuring tape (optional)
- Pencil for marking (optional)

## **Before You Start**

### **Check Your Patch**

- Ensure the patch has adhesive backing
- Verify the patch size fits your intended location
- Check that the fabric is compatible with heat application

## **Prepare Your Iron**

- Clean the iron plate to remove any residue
- Set temperature according to fabric type:
  - Cotton/Denim: High heat (400°F)
  - o Polyester blends: Medium heat (275-300°F)
  - Delicate fabrics: Low-medium heat (250°F)
- Turn OFF steam function

## **Step-by-Step Application**

#### **Step 1: Prepare the Garment**

- Wash and dry the garment before application
- Lay the garment flat on a hard, heat-resistant surface
- Iron out any wrinkles from the application area

#### **Step 2: Position the Patch**

- Place the patch adhesive-side down on desired location
- Use ruler to ensure proper alignment
- Mark position lightly with pencil if needed
- Remove any protective backing from the patch

#### **Step 3: Protect and Press**

- Cover the patch with pressing cloth or parchment paper
- This prevents direct contact between iron and patch
- Ensures even heat distribution

### **Step 4: Apply Heat and Pressure**

- Place preheated iron on top of pressing cloth
- Apply firm, even pressure for 10-15 seconds
- Do NOT move the iron back and forth
- Press down firmly and hold steady

#### **Step 5: Cool and Check**

- Remove iron and pressing cloth
- Allow patch to cool for 30 seconds
- Gently test edges they should be firmly adhered
- If edges lift, repeat heating process

## Step 6: Final Check

- Turn garment inside out
- Iron the back of the patch area for 10 seconds
- This ensures complete adhesion
- Allow to cool completely before wearing

## **Temperature Guide by Fabric**

Fabric Type	Temperature Setting	Heat Level
Cotton	400°F	High
Denim	400°F	High
Cotton/Poly Blend	300°F	Medium-High
Polyester	275°F	Medium
Rayon	250°F	Low-Medium
Delicate Fabrics	225°F	Low

## **Safety Tips**



#### Important Safety Reminders:

Never leave iron unattended

- Keep iron away from children
- Use pressing cloth to prevent burns
- Work in well-ventilated area
- Unplug iron when finished

## **Troubleshooting**

#### **Patch Won't Stick**

- Solution: Increase temperature slightly and press longer
- · Check if patch has adhesive backing
- Ensure fabric is clean and dry

### **Patch Edges Lifting**

- Solution: Re-iron edges with extra pressure
- Use pressing cloth and hold for 20 seconds
- Check temperature settings

## **Patch Looks Shiny**

- Solution: Always use pressing cloth
- Reduce temperature slightly
- Avoid direct iron contact

## **Adhesive Visible Around Edges**

- **Solution**: Trim excess adhesive before application
- Use pressing cloth to prevent spreading
- Clean iron plate if adhesive transfers

## **Care Instructions After Application**

## Washing

- Wait 24 hours before first wash
- Turn garment inside out
- Use cold water and gentle cycle
- Avoid fabric softener on patch area

#### **Drying**

- Air dry when possible
- If using dryer, use low heat setting
- Avoid high heat that could damage adhesive

### **Ironing**

- Always use pressing cloth over patch
- Iron on reverse side when possible
- Use appropriate temperature for fabric

## **Pro Tips**

### V For Best Results:

- Test iron temperature on fabric scrap first
- Work quickly but don't rush
- Apply patches to clean, unworn garments when possible
- Store unused patches in cool, dry place
- Consider hand-sewing around edges for extra durability

## When to Seek Professional Help

- High-value or delicate garments
- Large or complex patch designs
- Multiple patches requiring precise alignment
- Uncertainty about fabric compatibility

**Remember**: Practice makes perfect! Start with a test patch on a hidden area or scrap fabric to get comfortable with the process.