

**VinylGuard shrink-wrap is the ultimate renewal and protection solution for golf course equipment**

**Apply a good-looking, better than new, low cost, exterior-grade vinyl covering in just minutes using a high temperature heat gun with a heavy duty air blower**

### How to Shrink

- Slide a length of VinylGuard over the shaft
  - Hold the heat gun a few inches away from the material to prevent burning
  - **SLOWLY** begin shrinking: Rotate the shaft while moving the heat gun back and forth
  - Apply sufficient heat to remove any wrinkles - VinylGuard will quickly shrink and conform to the shape of the underlying material
- CAUTION – DO NOT APPLY HEAT DIRECTLY TO THE CREASE**

### Bunker Rakes

- Cut a length of VinylGuard 3" longer than the rake handle to allow for longitudinal shrinkage
- If you wish to replace the grip, do so first before applying VinylGuard – New grips are available from VinylGuard
- **To ensure long-term, non-slip adherence, spray the bottom of the rake handle next to the rake head and lightly spray the shaft, with 3M Super 77 Multipurpose Adhesive** - available from VinylGuard
- **QUICKLY** slide the vinyl over the shaft - Let the excess material overlap the receptacle of the rake head and overlap the grip during shrinking
- **BEGIN SHRINKING AT THE BOTTOM OF THE HANDLE:** Push the VinylGuard downward, pressing it over the rake head receptacle, until it shrinks and tightly conforms - Then shrink your way up the shaft
- Let the VinylGuard and rake handle completely cool for at least an hour – Then trim and remove the excess material covering the rake head receptacle and the grip

### Regulation Flagsticks

- Cut a length of VinylGuard 3" longer than the flagstick, to allow for longitudinal shrinkage
- **BEGIN SHRINKING AT THE BOTTOM OF THE FLAGSTICK:** Push the material downward, pressing it against the ferrule as it shrinks and tightly conforms to the flagstick - Then shrink your way up the shaft

### Striped Flagsticks

- Choose a "base color" - usually white - and shrink it over the entire flagstick
- Choose a color for stripes and cut the lengths required - Slide each stripe over the base color and shrink it in the position desired

### Tapered Tournament Flagsticks

- Lightly coat the shaft with soapy water - Slide the vinyl over the shaft, pushing the material down as far as possible
- **BEGIN SHRINKING AT THE WIDEST POINT (THE CENTER) OF THE FLAGSTICK:** **SLOWLY** work your way downward, pushing the vinyl against the ferrule as it shrinks and tightly conforms to the flagstick - Return to the center of the flagstick and shrink your way upward to the top
- While shrinking, if air bubbles get trapped under the vinyl, press them out with your hand while the vinyl is still warm

### How to Change the Colors of Flagsticks, Rakes and Stakes

- For all colors except yellow: Slide on the new color and shrink
- To change a color to yellow: To ensure complete coverage, first shrink on a base of white vinyl - Then slide the yellow vinyl over the white and shrink

### How to Cover Stakes

- **SQUARE STAKES:** Cover the entire stake with VinylGuard, adding an extra 1" at the top and bottom - Begin at the center of the stake and direct the heat outwards towards both ends - Trim the excess
- **MAKE YOUR OWN STAKES:** Cover the "above the ground" portion of the stake with VinylGuard, adding an extra 1" at the top - Begin shrinking at the bottom of the stake and work your way upwards - Trim the excess
- Slightly warm the cap - available from VinylGuard - with the heat gun and cover the top of the stake
- Apply heat and press the cap into place

**Note:** Open flame sources of heat are not recommended for shrinking as they may burn or damage the vinyl and may not ensure uniform shrinking