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Benelux Metal Ornament

Item #4103

Checklist:

- Bare substrate
- Sublimation printer
- Heat press
- Heat tape
- Cleaning cloth
- All-purpose cleaner
- Printed transfer
- Printing RIP software
- Heat gloves
- Scissors
- Blowout paper

Instructions:

Time: 45-55sec per side

Temp: 385° F/195° C

Instructions:

Press one side at a time. For pressing 2 sides at a time,

visit <https://www.starttosublimite.com/small-format/hints-and-tipsheets/ornaments>

Step 1

- Turn on your heat press.
- Set the temperature to 385°F / 195°C (temperatures based on prints made with small desktop sublimation printers).
- Strong pressure is recommended (settings may vary based on equipment).
- Add a sheet of protection paper (blowout paper) on the bottom plate of the heat press.



Step 2

- Clean the surface with all-purpose cleaner, a cloth, and compressed air.

Step 3

- You should have two images printed on your transfer paper.
- Cut the corners of one of the transfers about 5 mm away from the edge of the image in order to have plenty of space to tape the first transfer to the second.

Step 4

- Next, line up and center one side of the blank ornament to the transfer with the cut corners.
- Pick up the ornament and crease the transfer paper along the edges of the ornament so it will stay lined up with the outline of the image or graphic.

Step 5

- Make sure the transfer is at the edge of the table, and hold the first transfer in place by tightly gripping the ornament and transfer with your thumb and finger.

Step 6

- Line it up with the second transfer, keeping the first side of the transfer slightly peeled back, so you can see where you're placing the ornament.

Step 7

- Once secured on the second transfer, peel back the edges of the first transfer to double check that all the sides are even. Make small adjustments as needed.

Step 8

- Next, place four pieces of tape on the corners to secure the transfers to the ornament. Avoid placing the tape on the ornament outline.
- Carefully slide the prepared ornament off the table and place in the heat press.

Step 9

- Add everything in the center of the bottom plate of the heat press.
- Make sure the item receiving the transfer is facing up and the printed transfer is facing down on top of the receiving item.
- Add a layer of blowout paper or Endura on top of your printed transfer.
- Set the correct temperature & time (see below)
- Close the heat press so the sublimation process starts.

Step 10



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- When the sublimation process stops, remove immediately the transfer paper off both sides of the ornaments and allow the product to cool down.
- Attention: the item will be hot, so wear protective heat gloves.
- NOTE: If you press 1 side at a time, 1) let the first side cool completely before sublimating the 2nd side 2) be very careful about where you place the tape when pressing your 2nd side. Place tape where you are not likely to see color loss when re-heated; as close to the edge as possible is our recommendation.

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