

# VynEL™ CUSTOM DIY LIGHT-UP GARMENT

## INSTRUCTION GUIDE

VynEL™ panels add light to nearly any fabric or textile. They heat bond easily using a standard iron or heat press, and can also be sewn into garments with standard equipment. This guide covers the heat bonding method for VynEL™ Flow and HD panels. A heat press makes it easier, but a standard household iron works for most projects.

## WHAT YOU WILL NEED

### Panel Components

VynEL™ panel (Flow or HD with adhesive backing), graphic overlay (if applicable), connection area leads, inverter or battery pack.

### For Heat Bonding

Standard iron (dry, cotton setting) or heat press. Heat bonding material or heat transfer vinyl cut to panel shape. Tweezers for removing cutout material.

### For the Garment

The garment or fabric you want to light up. A flat surface with all wrinkles removed. Paper for tracing panel shape if cutting adhesive by hand.

### Tools

Plotter or vinyl cutter (recommended) or Exacto knife for cutting heat bond material. Small scissors for trim work.

## HEAT BONDING METHOD: STEP BY STEP

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### Select Your Garment

Find a garment or fabric you want to add light to. A jacket, sweatshirt, or bag works well for a first project. Ensure the surface is clean, flat, and free of wrinkles.

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### Prepare the Heat Bond Material

Cut heat bonding or heat transfer vinyl material to the shape of your panel. A plotter or vinyl cutter makes this precise. An Exacto knife and paper tracing works well if you do not have a cutter.

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### Cut Away the Panel Material

Remove the material you want to illuminate. Small tweezers are helpful for removing cut pieces cleanly. Take your time here for a clean result.

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### Position the Panel

Lay the VynEL™ panel and graphic overlay over the area you plan to bond to. Ensure you have a flat surface with all wrinkles removed and the panel is positioned exactly where you want it before any heat is applied.

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### Apply Heat

For a standard iron: warm to dry, cotton setting. Apply approximately 30 lbs of pressure and press evenly across the surface for 15-25 seconds. Keep the iron moving in smooth, overlapping passes. For a heat press: place the garment in the press with the lighting element facing away from the heating element. Use 30-40 lbs at 300°F for 15-20 seconds.

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### Cool and Peel

Allow the garment to cool for 1-2 minutes. For best results, lay it flat in a freezer for 1-2 minutes before peeling. Once cool, gently peel off the top coating. Then plug in the battery pack and power on.

**Storing Your VynEL™ Garment:** Maintain a minimum bending radius of 5mm when storing. Avoid tightly coiling or folding the lit area. Store flat on a hanger, or lay the garment flat. Tight bends cause dark spots and shorts at the EL layer.

## WIRING DIAGRAM

### BATTERY OPERATION

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## FAQ

### What is VynEL™?

VynEL™ derives from EL panels but adds flexibility, heat bondability, and wash durability. It is ideal for safety and entertainment applications.

### Does VynEL™ need an inverter?

Yes. VynEL™ is an EL product and requires a high-frequency inverter. It is compatible with Parallel EL Inverters from Ellumiglow.

### Can VynEL™ panels be cut?

Yes, but ordering custom shapes from Ellumiglow produces better long-term results than field cutting. Contact us for custom shapes and sizes.

### Can VynEL™ panels be customized?

Yes. Custom shapes, sizes, colors, and graphic overlays are all available. Visit [ellumiglow.com](http://ellumiglow.com) or contact [info@ellumiglow.com](mailto:info@ellumiglow.com) for custom inquiries.

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