Steps for patterning your marine decking

1. Gather your tools, including tape measure, sharp scissors, duct tape, and a permanent marker.



- 2. Our pattern material is only 4ft on one side, for that and other reasons we recommend keeping sections under a 4x4 square.
- 3. Lay out the pattern material over the area you want covered, and trim away excess, but leave a 1-4 inch margin.



4. With the material roughly laid out, tape one side, pull it snug on the opposite side to remove any bubbles or wrinkles, then secure with tape and repeat.



5. If wrapping the excess up a wall, you might want to use a weight close to the wall to keep a ramp from forming. Also in corners, a relief cut may be necessary for the material to lay flat.



6. After the material is flat and secured on the surface you want to trace, follow the most outer edge, we generally shrink the sides by a quarter inch, so following the farthest edge is recommended.



7. Make sure you mark the direction the piece lays in the boat and take some reference pictures to ensure we place the design in the correct orientation. In addition numbering your pieces starting at the bow and working to the stern will help us lay it out for digitization. We also require your name on every sheet, as well as one sheet that contains your name, boat make, model and year for our records.



8. One last thing before you remove the tape and prepare for sending, mark every hole for latches or light outlets.



9. If you must tape two sheets together, you should apply the tape every about every foot, and mark it as shown. Using a straight-edge mark on either side of it in at least two locations, as well as some diagonal tick marks along the seam.

