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### **VEHICLE APPLICATION**

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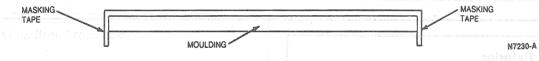
#### **REMOVAL AND INSTALLATION**

# Body Side Protection and Bumper Rubstrip Mouldings

#### Tape, Pressure-Sensitive

To install or repair the optional body side moulding (moulded PVC, or TPU with two-way tape), perform the following:

- Completely clean (isopropyl alcohol and clean soft cloth) sheet metal surface area around moulding.
- Before removing moulding, mark moulding location on top and at each end of moulding with masking tape. Do not heat moulding or sheet metal surface, this only increases the adhesion. Cold temperatures, 0°C (32°F) and below allows for easier removal of moulding.



- Using a nylon wedge, start at rear of door, wedging nylon tool between moulding and door. At the same time, pull moulding away with steady tension. Remove and replace one moulding at a time.
- Once a few inches of moulding are free, grip moulding with both hands and pull the moulding slowly toward the front of vehicle, being careful not to damage paint or sheet metal surface.
- 5. Not all of the tape will come off with moulding, white or gray acrylic tape is most easily removed by gently stretching. Grip tape at one end lift and pull away slowly about 12.7mm (1/2 inch) at a time, then grip and pull again. Small pieces can be removed by rolling thumb across sheet metal surface.
- 6. When all tape is removed, wipe area with isopropyl alcohol and clean soft cloth, ensuring that all tape residue and road dirt is removed. A clean surface is required for application of new moulding. Should paint surface be damaged during moulding removal, surface should be repaired using paint repair procedure. Refer to Section 01-00.
- 7. New moulding is now ready to be applied. Start at front of door moulding and proceed back, pull back tape protective liner approximately 75-100mm (3-4 inches) (do not touch or contaminate tape surface). Line up moulding with marks on masking tape at rear of door and press gently rearward on door removing protective liner as you proceed rearward. Be sure part is lined up correctly; once tape sticks, part cannot be removed. Mouldings should not be installed on vehicle unless sheet metal surface temperature exceeds 27°C (80°F) and moulding is at 22°C (70°F) minimum.
- Remove masking tape and wipe area under masking tape with isopropyl alcohol to remove residue.
- Press moulding on with hand roller applying a minimum of 140 kPa (20 psi) pressure to ensure positive tape adhesion.