



Hotfix - Hand Held Tool

Not Recommended

- Hotfix rhinestones and metals do not adhere well to plastic or metals or denim. If you are working with these materials you may want to consider the gluing, sewing, or metal setting attachment methods.

How To: For hotfix rhinestones and pearls

- First, decide which tip you will be using on your hand held hotfix tool. You should use the same size tip as the rhinestone size you are working with.
- Put the tip on the hotfix setting tool, BeJeweler or Kandi Kane.
- Plug the tool in.
- Allow the tool to heat up for approximately 5–7 minutes.
- After the tool heats up pick up one stone, pretty side of the stone, and let the stone sit in the tip of the tool for 3–10 seconds.
- You should be able to tell when the glue is ready, as it bubbles up when heated.
- Once the glue bubbles, quickly dab the stone onto the garment and quickly pull up the hotfix tool. Do NOT press the tool too hard onto the garment because the stone will get stuck in the tip of the hot fix tool.
- Repeat the process for the rest of the rhinestones you are applying.

How To: For hotfix metals, shapes, and mirrors

- Use the flat tip.
- Plug in and let the tool heat up.
- Place the piece on your garment.
- Set the flat hotfix tool tip on top of the piece for approximately 5–20 seconds to heat through to the glue.

Tips and Tricks:

- While the tool is heating up you might want to get your rhinestones ready. For example, pour out some of the rhinestones onto a paper plate or Tupperware tray, glue side down. By doing this, the rhinestones are spread out and are easier to pick up with the hotfix tool.
- After you pick up the stone with the hotfix tool, you may want to angle the tool a bit so the stone does not fall out.
- To speed up the process, you may want to “chalk dot” out the pattern on your garment before starting. That will allow you to work quickly because the locations of the rhinestones are already dotted out for you.



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