

Stencil kit instructions

Trace-It stencils | Surface preparation and layout

Use the Trace-It kit to lay out and form block letters and numbers. Check the placement of the entire registration number before masking or painting. See the diagrams on page 2.

1 Clean the surface

Thoroughly clean the surface where the stencils will be used.

2 Set the character height

Make two parallel guide lines **24, 12, or 3 inches apart**, depending on the stencil size you are using. The original instructions recommend 3M fine line tape. See Figure A.

3 Use the spacer and straight edge

The narrow portion marked **#1** in Figure A sets the spacing between characters and forms the number **1** and letter **I**. It is also the longest straight edge. Use it for 1 and letters A, B, D, E, F, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, P, R, T, V, W, X, Y, and Z.

4 Trace the full layout first

The portion marked **#2** in Figure A sets the width of all numbers except 1 and all letters except I. Trace the outside size of each character, as shown in Figure B. Lay out the entire registration number to confirm its position before masking or painting.

5 Form each character

Once the full layout is correct, use the stencil to form the individual characters. Figure C shows how the straight edge forms the diagonal of an N. Figure D shows the completed character.

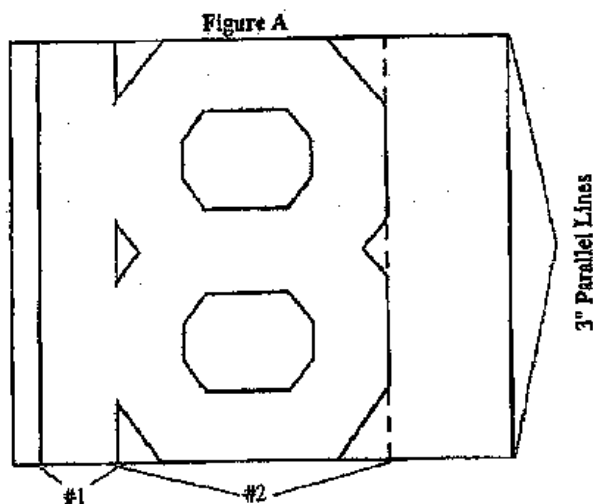
6 Use the sample patterns

The original instructions describe sample 3-inch numbers 1 through 9 and letters A through Z. The letter O and number 0 use the same pattern. Page 3 reproduces the sample characters visible in the supplied scan.

Stencil layout diagrams

Follow the sequence from guide lines to finished character

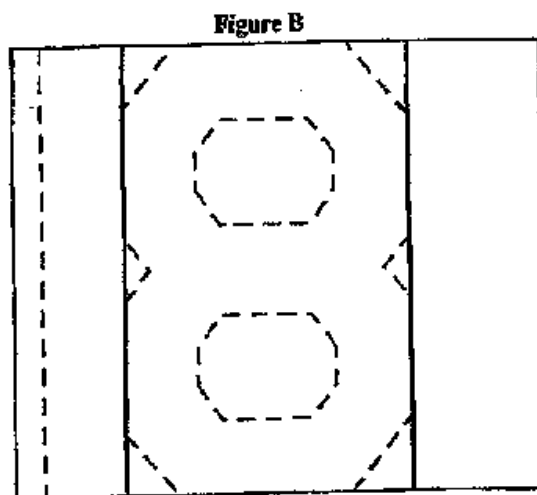
Figure A



Identify the stencil sections

#1 is the spacer and longest straight edge. #2 is the standard character width.

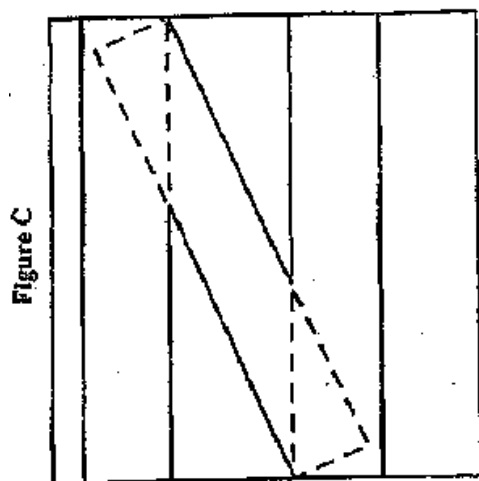
Figure B



Trace the outside size

Check the full registration layout before masking or painting.

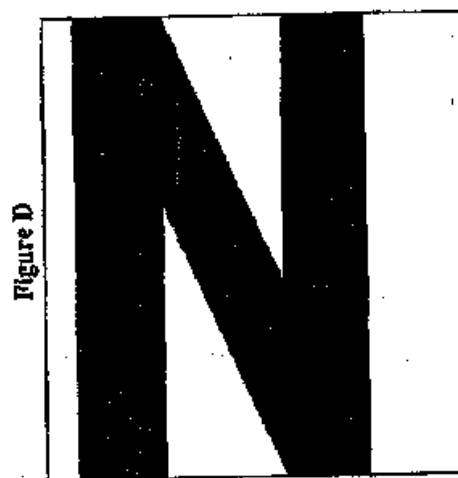
Figure C



Form the character

Use the stencil edges to form each stroke inside the traced layout.

Figure D



Complete the character

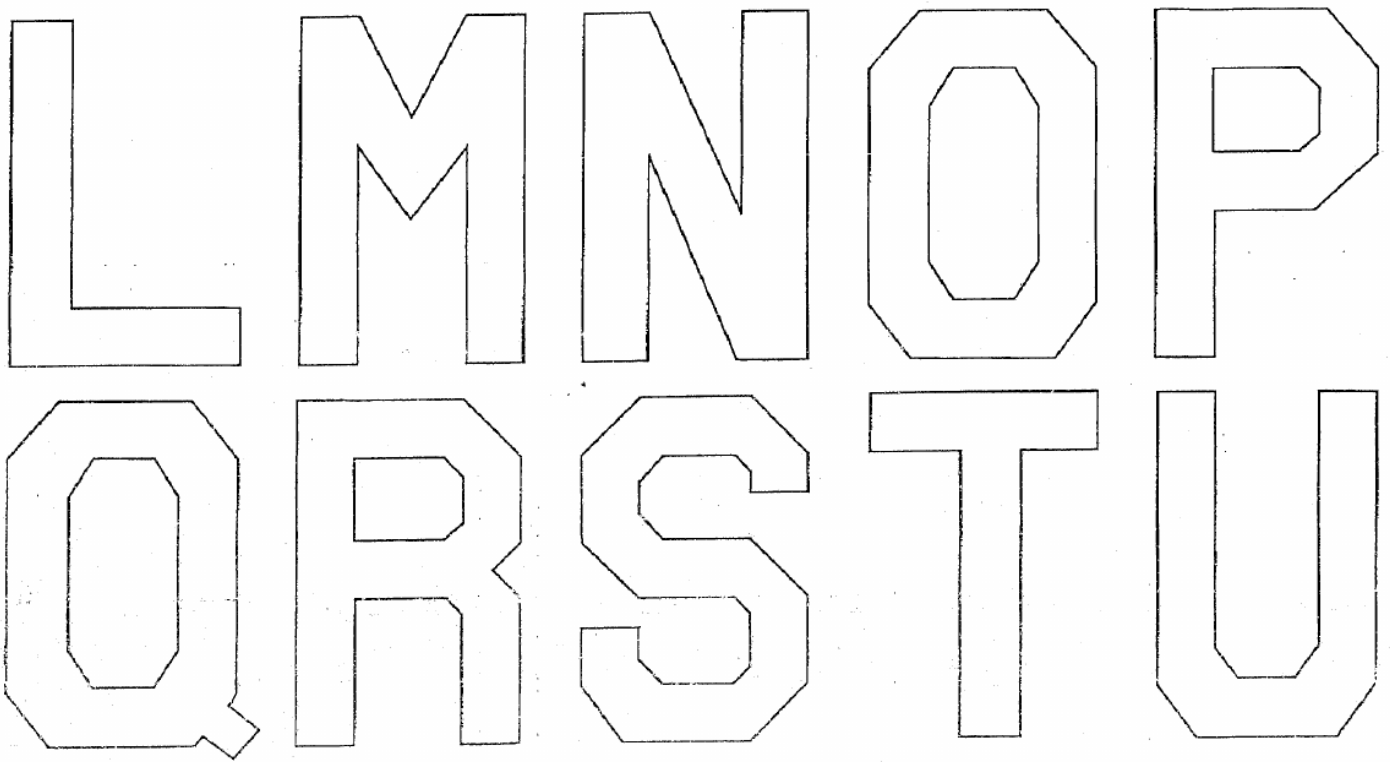
The finished N illustrates the result of the layout and forming steps.

Diagrams reproduced from the supplied instructions. Illustrations are not to scale.

Sample character reference

Block letter patterns reproduced from the supplied scan

Use these outlines as a visual reference when forming characters. These patterns show how the stencil edges combine to form individual characters.



Characters shown

L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, and U. The letter O also represents the number 0.

Reference only

These reproduced samples are not actual-size templates. Use the physical kit and measured guide lines to set the character size.