

# KerbWatch



## Painting Your Kerb Number - What Could Go Wrong?

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Before you start, please read through the **Procedure for Kerb Numbering**. Click [here](#).



This presentation will help you understand what could go wrong and recommended **solutions** when painting your Kerb Number.

To ensure the **perfect looking** Kerb Number, please contact our volunteers if you encounter any issues.

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## Remove Old Number

**Procedure Step 6:** Clean the area on the kerb where the house number is to be painted. Use the wire brush to make the surface even and free of dirt. Ensure the kerb is dry.



Do's



Don'ts



Use wire brush to clean. You may need to use Mineral Turpentine to remove old residue.



If your old number is still visible after cleaning, please contact our volunteers.





## Protect the Kerb

**Procedure Step 7 & 17 :** Place newspaper to protect the lower kerb and/or road. Tape the background stencil to the kerb using 'Bear' general-purpose tape. Secure them in place to protect the kerb and road.



Do's

Only use 'Bear' brand general purpose tape for concrete surfaces

Place bricks or rocks and tape to secure the protected surrounding



Don'ts

Without securing the newspaper and stencil, they may be blown away and cause damage/stick to the kerb number



Without protecting the area, it may cause overspray or damage the environment

## Dabbing

**Procedure Step 19:** We suggest that whilst painting you look at the stencil from below, as well as from each side.



Apply with dabbing motion and check for any gaps



Make sure the entire stencil space is covered.  
This photo is after 2 coats of paint.



Do's



Don'ts

The paint brush is intended for dabbing only. Do not use it in a normal paint brush manner.



Don't forget to check from all angles for complete paint coverage.



## Drips

**Procedure Step 18:** Using the mini paint brush, dab evenly and gently over each digit stencil, using the paint sparingly to avoid drips.

There will be sufficient WHITE paint for your use on the inside of the can lid.



Do's



Don'ts

Excessive paint can cause drips or smudges



It is better to have 2 coats than to try for 1 coat and cause drips.

Any attempts to remove drips will cause a smudge.



## Uneven Surface

**Procedure Step 5:** Locate the smoothest surface, avoiding any uneven surface and moving beyond the 600mm if necessary.

If the kerb has small holes, you will need to touch up after the removal of the stencil.



Do's



Don'ts

Do not remove the stencil before the paint is dry.



Touch up the holes using a tiny paint brush or cotton bud.

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We hope you have achieved the Best Result for your Kerb.  
Please don't hesitate to contact our volunteers and check our website for more information.

