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**TruBond 1000 – Tan Application Instructions:**

1. Skin should be free of excess moisture.
2. With the properly prepared skin on a flat surface, skin side up. Liberally apply **TruBond 1000** to the entire skin.  
**Example:** 12 ozs. of **TruBond 1000** is enough for a XXL whitetail cape measuring 8" X 22" X 24".
3. Let the tan soak for **2 hours**.  
**Option #1:** The skin can then be folded skin to skin, placed in a plastic bag and sweated overnight in a refrigerator. Then freeze or mount.  
**Option #2:** Hang the skin to dry completely. Rehydrate in a solution of ¼ lb. salt and 1 oz. degreaser per gallon of warm water. Then freeze or mount.
4. Before mounting a light wash is recommended. Use a handful of salt with bit of degreaser. Wash and rinse.

**TruBond 1000B – Tan Application Instructions:**

1. Skin should be free of excess moisture.
2. With the properly prepared skin on a flat surface, skin side up. Liberally apply **TruBond 1000B** to the entire skin.
3. Let **TruBond 1000B** soak into the BACK SKIN for **2 hours**. Hang the skin to dry. Every 12 hours tug the skin in all directions for 1-2 minutes. Repeat for 2 days. Hide should remain soft and supple.
4. As the skin dries and is worked you should observe "loosening" of the fibers and a lightening of the leather.

**Sodium Bicarbonate (baking soda) – Neutralize Instructions:**

1. **Per gallon** of water add ¼ lb. of salt and **1 oz. baking soda**.
2. Skins can be quickly rinsed in plain water. Let drain for 10 minutes. Then place the skins in the Neutralization bath for **30 minutes**.
3. **Gently stir every 10 minutes**.
4. Pull skins, rinse and drain for 30 minutes. A spin cycle and or towels may be used to remove excess moisture.

**No-Harm Pickling Acid or Citric Acid – Pickling Instructions:**

1. **Per gallon of warm water** (not exceeding 90 degrees) add **1 lb. of salt. 2.5 gallons of pickle** is recommended **per deer cape**.
2. When using **No-Harm Pickling Acid** add ½ oz. per gallon of water.  
When using **Citric Acid** add 3 oz's. per gallon of water.
3. **A pH of 1.5 - 2 is best**.
4. Skins should remain in the pickle solution for **24-48 hours before shaving**. Stir / agitate pickle daily.  
(Skins can remain in the pickle for an extended period of time as long as the pH is maintained.)
5. Once shaved, skins should be put back in pickle overnight.
6. Adjust pH as needed.
7. Re-shave skins as needed the next day.

**Permatan 2000 – Submersible Tan Instructions:**

Pickled skins should be drained of pickle, weighed and placed directly into solution outlined below!

1. **Per whitetail cape** mix **2 ½ gallons** of water with **1 ¼ lb. of salt** (½ lb. per gallon). Initial water temp should be **85 degrees**.
2. For **each pound of drained skin weight** add **1 oz. Permatan 2000** to salt and water solution.
3. Skins remain in solution **overnight**.
4. The next morning **slowly add baking soda until pH reaches 4.5 – 5. Let stand for 30 minutes**.
5. Drain skins and let dry to desired moisture content.
6. Skin can then be oiled with either **Lubri-Stretch 1000** (light skinned animals) or **Lubri-Stretch 2000** (heavy skinned animals, i.e. elk, moose).

**Lipa-Solve 55 – Rehydration Instructions:**

1. For best results **warm water not exceeding 90 degrees** should be used.
2. **Per gallon of water** add ¼ lb. of salt, **1 oz. of Lipa-Solve 55**. For a natural bactericide use **1 oz. Citric Acid** per gallon. Commercial bactericides can be used per manufacturer's instruction.
3. Skin(s) should remain submerged in solution only as long as necessary to rehydrate. Time will vary depending on how long skin has been dry. **4-8 hours** for an average deer but as long as **12 hours** or overnight for a skin dried hard.
4. Rehydration complete the skin needs to go into the pickle solution.

**Lipa-Solve 77 – Degrease Bath Instructions:**

1. **1 oz. of Lipa-Solve 77, ½ lb. of salt, per gallon** of water **at 90 degrees** initially.
2. Depending on skin type, place in de-greasing bath for a minimum of **3-4 hours. Agitate frequently**. For best results, de-greasing should be performed **AFTER** final shaving.
3. From pickle to de-greasing bath, back to pickle overnight, then to tanning steps.