

HOW TO TAPE YOUR COLOR GUARD RIFLE



Maybe you just got a beautiful, brand new rifle or maybe it's the start of a new season - either way, Band Shoppe can help you keep it from breaking the first time it hits the ground. **All tapes and rifles mentioned here are available at bandshoppe.com**

- TOOLS**
- 1 Phillips-head screw driver (the one with the + shaped tip)
 - 1 roll of Nylon Filament Strapping Tape (item #64324)
 - 1 roll of White Electrical Tape (item #64320)
 - 1 roll of Electrical Tape that matches your strap

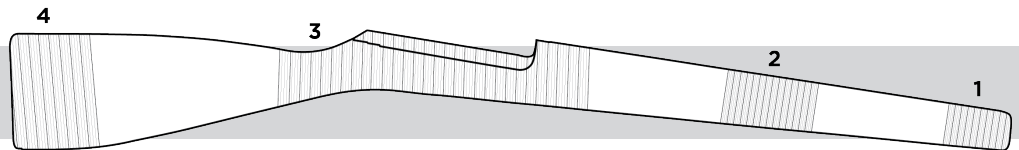
REMEMBER: Start with a clean rifle, free of old tape and adhesive residue. Wipe your rifle down clean soft cloth to remove skin oils, this lets the new tape stick better.



GETTING STARTED Remove all hardware with your a Phillips head screwdriver including the two screws holding the bolt in place and the two screws that hold the strap in place. If your rifle has rubber end pads, like the Endura Rifle, you can go ahead and leave them in place.

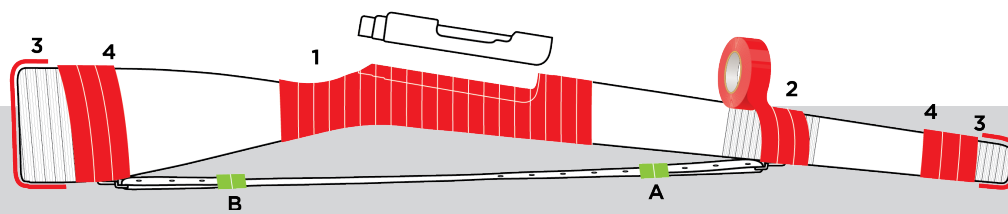
STRAPPING TAPE

Strapping tape has nylon filaments for additional support. You can find it on bandshoppe.com for less that \$5.00 a roll.



***Whether you choose a plastic rifle like the Endura or a wood rifle, strapping tape is crucial for the longevity of your equipment. This little bit of extra care allows your rifle to withstand more shock without cracking.*

Wrap separate pieces of strapping tape all the way around the nose (1), front strap bolt hole (2), under the bolt starting at the neck and moving forward (3), and round the back bolt and butt pad (4).



ELECTRICAL TAPE

Typically white tape is used on white rifles, but electrical tape also comes in a variety of colors for you to choose from, available at bandshoppe.com.

1. Referencing the diagram above, wrap the electrical tape continuously around the rifle starting at the neck and moving forward to a couple inches past the bolt. ***Be sure that the tape slightly overlaps on each turn.**
2. Attach your clips and o-rings with the screws provided then wrap the tape a few turns around the area over the front screw. This will help prevent the screw from coming loose or scratching you while you spin.
3. Next, place a few strips of tape paralel over the rifle butt from top to bottom long ways. Repeat this step on the rifle nose with shorter strips of tape to hold the pads in place protect the ends from additional wear.
4. Wrapping continuously toward the nose and over the strips of tape from step 3, repeat on the butt of the rifle taking care to wrap over the back screw.
5. Attach the rifle strap to the o-rings. Using electrical tape that matches the color of your strap, wrap three times around points **A** and **B** to ensure that the strap screws don't come loose.

Attach your bolt and that's it!

Remember, there are plenty of ways to tape a rifle, this is just one basic way. You can also tape the entire rifle, tape the bolt, or tape the strap to make it a different color! Some people use sparkle tape or glow in the dark tape to create different effects.

HELPFUL TIPS:

- Sticky Rifle? Use some adhesive remover such as Goo Gone® to get the old tape unstuck
- If your rifle bolt is loose and your screw start to strip out, fill the hole with some Elmers® glue or some wood glue