# Stabilizer Trouble Shooting



#### "The loops are pulling out of my towel when I try to pull it away from my sticky stabilizer"

If using any of the Floriani Wet N Stick Products – Simply lift the edge of the towel and "rewet" the stabilizer adhesive. This will reactivate the sticky and it will let go of the loops easily. Continue pulling back the towel slowly while re-wetting the surface until it is completely released.

For Perfect Stick Tearaway – Dampen the back of the stabilizer with a sponge or cloth around the stitching lines of the design, wait at least 10 seconds and then tear away. Perfect Stick is made of partially water soluble fibers and will release the fabric once dampened.

#### "I cannot remove my fusible stabilizer from the back of the fabric"

When fusing any of the following Floriani products to the back of fabric we recommend using a very <u>low</u> iron temperature: *Heat N Sta Tearaway, Stitch N Wash Fusible, Wet N Gone Fusible, No Show Nylon Mesh Fusible and Cutaway Medium Fusible.* Also, it is imperative that you press from the fabric side or use a pressing cloth between the iron and stabilizer. If these steps are not followed, you may have "bonded" the stabilizer to the fabric in excess. To remove the stabilizer you will need to re-heat the adhesive on the stabilizer and while it is hot, peel it away from the fabric.

## "I cannot get my fusible stabilizer to bond to the back of the fabric"

We recommend a very low iron temperature when fusing your Floriani stabilizers to the fabric. However, all irons heat differently. If you find you are not getting a bond, slowly increase the irons temperature until you find the right setting for you. It is very important to test how a fabric bonds to the stabilizer on a scrap piece of fabric before beginning your projects.

## "I cannot get my Wet N Gone Tacky to rinse out of project"

With <u>all</u> water soluble products in the Floriani line, we recommend trimming away as much of the stabilizer as possible before beginning the water removal process. Once this is done, hold the garment under running, room temperature water to remove the excess stabilizer. It may be necessary to massage the stitching under the running water to loosen the stabilizer. *If you have hard or high mineral content to your water*: Fill a sink or bowl with enough water to submerge the article. Add a water softener such as Vaseline® Bath Beads, Hair Conditioner, Calgon®, Downy®, etc and massage the article within the softened water. Let soak if necessary and then rinse clean with room temperature water.

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### "I cannot get my Heat N Gone Topping off of my project"

Heat N Gone is removed by touching the surface of the iron <u>directly</u> to the stabilizer. It cannot be removed if you are "hovering" using just steam or if you have a pressing cloth between the iron and the stabilizer. It is also VERY important to use a LOW iron temperature such as silk or wool. If you try to remove the stabilizer with a high temperature, the stabilizer will liquefy and melt back into the stitching. Experiment and test to find the right temperature needed from your iron before beginning your project. As with all Floriani toppings, it is important to remove as much of the stabilizer as possible by tearing it away before beginning the removal process.

## "I cannot get my Appli-kay Wonder to bond to my fabric"

Appli-kay Wonder is made with a low-temperature melt adhesive. This means it is very important to use a medium setting on your iron such as wool and hold the iron in place for at least 5 seconds to melt the adhesive so it can bond. Using a higher temperature will only scorch the fabric. Press from the paper side and again from the fabric side to achieve the ultimate bond. Also, it is very important to let the applique cool before removing the release paper. If you try to remove it before it cools, the bond may not be set. Lastly, if your fabric is treated with heavy starch or sizing or contains Teflon, the bond may be compromised.