USER GUIDE

EVA AND PU HANDLEBAR TAPE

Two 215 cm rolls of EVA foam topped with PU, non-slip and breathable, with their two bar-end plugs. This guide covers the complete wrapping job, from removing the old tape to fitting the plugs.



REF. VELKRUBCINTRED2 · ROAD AND COMPATIBLE DROP BARS · EVA + PU, 215 × 3 CM, ≈ 90 G

01 · WRAPPING

WRAPPING BAR TAPE NEATLY

Before you start

- Have **scissors**, a cloth and a little alcohol for glue residue, plus **electrical tape** to finish at the stem end (not included).
- Bike stable, bars at eye level: the job takes half an hour the first time.
- Fold the **hood covers** forward to clear the lever clamps.

Wrapping, one side at a time

1. **Remove the old tape** and its finishing tape, clean the bar down to bare metal. Check the cables are held flat and taped to the bar.
2. **Start at the bar end,** leaving half the tape's width hanging past the tube: it will be tucked into the plug at the end.
3. **Wrap from the outside inwards** and up towards the hood, overlapping a third of the width with steady tension, firm without stretching the tape pale. The tape winds the way your hands tighten it while riding.
4. **Get past the hood:** stick a short piece of tape behind the lever clamp, then cross the tape in a figure of eight around the hood, leaving no gap.
5. **Carry on to the stem,** same overlap, same tension. Stop two fingers short of the stem and cut the tape at an angle so the last turn finishes square.
6. **Finish** with two or three turns of electrical tape over the cut, then push in the plug, tucking the overhanging tape into the tube: it is locked. Same again on the other side, mirrored.

Specifications

Material	**EVA + PU**	Length	**215 cm per roll**
Width	**3 cm**	Weight	**≈ 90 g**
Properties	**Vibration damping, non-slip, breathable**	Contents	**2 rolls, 2 plugs**

CHECK BEFORE RIDING

- The **plugs** are pushed fully in: an open bar end is dangerous in a fall.
- The **levers** work over their full travel without the tape getting in the way.
- Nothing unwinds when you pull on the tape at the hoods and in the drops.

THE RIGHT WRAPPING DIRECTION

Seen from the bar end, the right side winds clockwise and the left side anticlockwise: your hands then tighten the tape instead of unwinding it.

02 · DAY TO DAY

COMFORT, CARE, TROUBLESHOOTING

What the EVA under the PU brings

The EVA foam inside filters the vibration the road sends into your hands: less tingling and numbness on long rides and rough surfaces. The PU surface stays grippy with sweaty hands or in the rain, and its breathable structure avoids the soaked-glove feel of all-PU tape.

With 215 cm per roll, you can cover a wide bar with a one-third overlap, or double up the drops for extra thickness if you ride a lot in the lower position.

Care

- Clean with a sponge and soapy water, then let it dry. No solvent or degreaser, which harden PU.
- Keep the bike somewhere dry: tape that stays damp lifts at the ends sooner.
- Replace the tape when it is smooth, torn at the hoods or lifting: it is a wear part, expect one to two seasons depending on mileage.

IF SOMETHING GOES WRONG

- **Gaps between turns**: not enough overlap or tension. Unwind back to the fault and start again from there.
- **Tape runs out before the stem**: overlap too wide or too much tape started inside the tube. Unwind and redo with a one-third overlap.
- **It lifts at the stem**: cut not angled or too little finishing tape. Recut, add two turns of electrical tape.
- **The tape turns on the bar**: too little tension or a greasy bar at fitting. Remove, degrease, rewrap tighter.
- **The tape tears** while tensioning: too much pull, it should be firm without turning pale.



Even one-third overlap, from the bar end towards the stem.

On video

Independent tutorials on wrapping bar tape, scan to watch.

How to wrap handlebar tape
David Arthur, Just Ride Bikes · English

Figure 8 handlebar tape explained
The Bike Sauce · English

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