

Metallica Remastered Dress Mod

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The following document will walk you through the installation of Pinball-Mods.com's [Dress Mod](#) for Stern's Metallica Remastered pinball machine. In general; these instructions are likely unnecessary; but, will serve to clarify any questions you may have for the installation of the product.

We recommend you read this document in its entirety prior to purchasing the product; then print it for your reference during the actual installation of mod on your game.

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Tools/Materials Needed:

- [Rubbing alcohol](#), [VM Napata](#), or some other oil removal product.
- 2 [Clean cloths or towels](#)
- Philips Screw Driver
- [\$\frac{1}{4}\$ " Nut driver](#).

Optional:

- 1) 80-220 grit sandpaper

Decal Install

You want to use the alcohol and towels above to clean the surfaces of the brackets before installing these laser cut decals. Make sure to remove any dirt, grime, or oil with the solvent then ensure the surface is dry with a second cloth before installing the decal.

You may need to use reuse the dry towel to ensure a good bond between the decal and the stainless-steel brackets on your game.

These decals are not intended to be reuseable after installation; so, ensure they are line up before applying final pressure to bond the adhesive to the brackets.

Remove the white paper backing the decal and install it. Try to keep from contaminating the decal with oil/dirt from your fingers during install.

You are going to need easy access to both sides of your machine during installation. If you have it in a line up close together; we recommend you pull it to an area you can easily work on the machine with the playfield in maintenance position.

- 1) Install the “Seek” decal on the left most spinner bracket:



Figure 1. Seek

- 2) Install the “Destroy” decal on the right most spinner:



Figure 2. Destroy

- 3) Temporarily remove the bulbs from your existing “Crank it Up” / “Extra Ball” bracket above the right VUK/Mystery Scoop. Save them.
- 4) We’ve provided a choice of a “M”etallica m... or a “M72” breakout decal. These are the smaller labels with two bulb holes closer together. Pick one for your game.



Figure 3. Mystery Scoop bracket

Reinstall the bulbs from Step 3.

5) There are two 72 seasons bracket covers for two similarly shaped UV LED brackets which face Sparky and light him up during electric chair. There is a hole laser cut in each of them which clears the captive pim nut on the brackets.

On the Author's machine; he removed the UV LED board via the screw ... then removed the brackets physically to install the decals. This isn't strictly necessary and risks loosing the screw/spacers in the depth of the machine.

It is possible to install these on the brackets without disassembly; it's just more difficult to line the decal up easily.

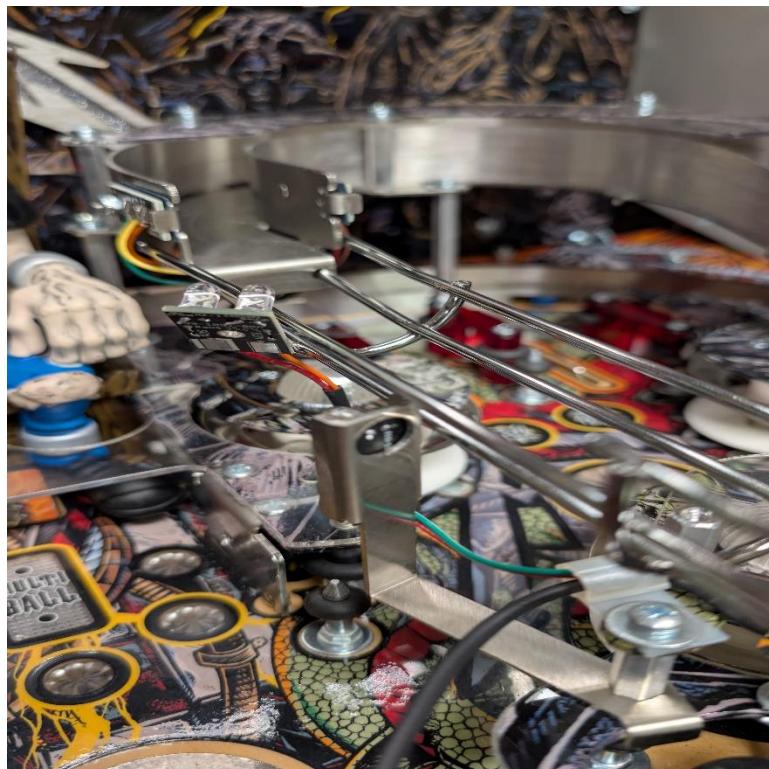


Figure 4. Bracket removed for assembly



Figure 5. UV decal installed

6) Repeat for the other bracket:



Figure 6. Left Sparky UV Bracket

7) The final front facing UV spotlight bracket has a square side; but installs the same way:



Figure 7. Front UV Spotlight cover

8) Next we move onto the Sparky's White LED brackets. As far as I know the board cannot be removed from the brackets; so these will need to be installed on the machine in place. Locate the Lux Aeterna (smaller) decal. Install it on the left side white bracket:



Figure 8. Lux AEterna White Cover

9) Install the “Enter Sandman” white cover on the Center white spotlight:

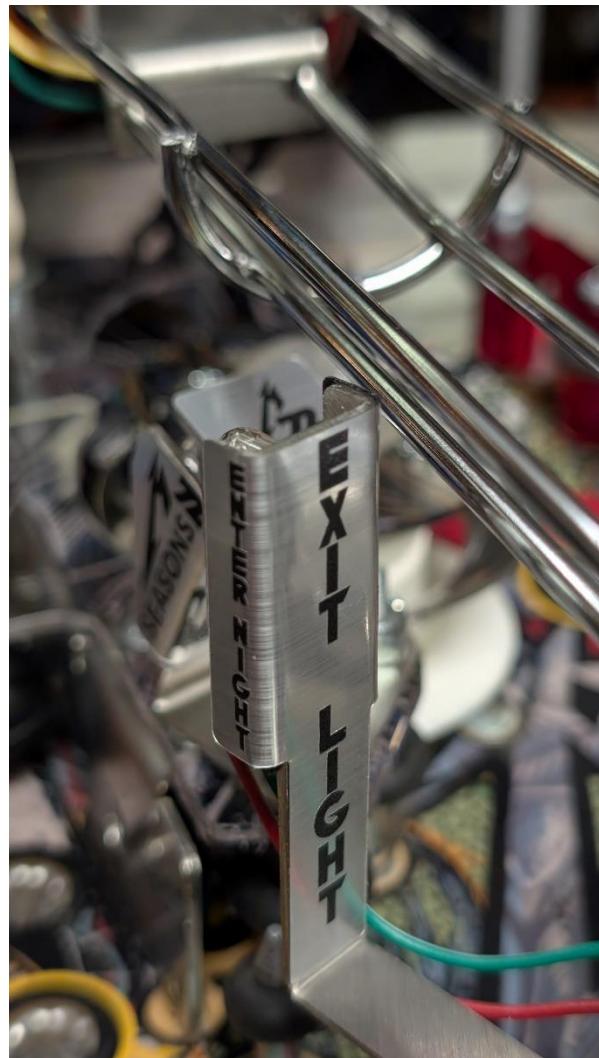


Figure 9. Enter Sandman white cover

10) Finally; we tackle the hardest install; the Kill 'Em All hammer bracket. This decal mounts to the ball guide bracket holding the hammer assembly. This Kill Em All bracket cover should be considered a wear item. I've included a clear mylar cover for this bracket to help protect it from the ball; but, nothing is really immune to the ball's wrath... so expect it to eventually need to be replaced.

For best results; install the mylar cover over the decal before installation:



Figure 10. Kill Em All Hammer cover

You want the mylar cover to be at the bottom of the decal so it can protect it from the ball trails as the ball rolls on the playfield.

The extra "wings" of the clear mylar are there to potentially wrap around the bracket after install. The author did not have a lot of luck; but, mainly because he didn't follow his own advice about having unrestricted access to both sides of his machine.

11) Install the cover on the hammer bracket. The author did this by partially disassembling the hammer by removing the E clip and backing out the rod at the pivot point. Unclear if this is necessary. The install here is a great example of what NOT to do. Make sure you have easy access to the bracket. Also make sure to install the mylar accurately before installing the cover on the machine.



Figure 11. Bad example of Kill 'em All Cover

This completes the kit installation; unless, you've ordered the optional “Hardwired” “Blackend” bracket.

Blackened Bracket Install

An optional upgrade is the bracket which covers the lamp sockets in a similar way to the crank it up/extra ball bracket which was stock on the machine.

- 1) Locate the stainless steel bracket. It may need some prep-work.
Beta units come with the Metallica "Nija" star cut into the top surface. This will change on future revisions of the bracket.
- 2) The bracket will come with what is called a "mill" surface. Matte grey with maybe some burn marks from the laser cutting process. If you want the bracket to match other surfaces of your game; you may want to use some sandpaper to give it that "brushed" metal look. My advice is to look at the "grain" of the decal you are going to install on the cover. See step 5 below.
- 3) Clean the surfaces of the bracket; especially the top and front surfaces. Remove any sanding dust. Any oils.
- 4) For beta units with the Metallica Star cut into the surface; locate and apply the Mylar cover.



Figure 12. Mylar protection

This mylar helps protect your plastic from the rough surfaces of the Star. Not using the mylar is not recommended.

- 5) We've provided a choice of a "M"etallica m... or a "M72" breakout decals. These are the wider labels with two bulb holes further apart. These also have rounded corners on the bottom of the decal. Pick one for your game.
- 6) Remove the bulbs from the plastic; save them for install later.
- 7) You'll need to remove the blackened plastic from your game. Do this by removing the two large panhead screws near the rear of the plastic. Save the screws, being careful not to lose them in the depths of your machine. These will be reused.
- 8) Remove the two counter sunk #4-40 screws which hold the lamp sockets to the plastic. The screws have a lock nut under the plastic; so, you'll need to use a nut driver in combination with the screwdriver to remove these lamp sockets. Save the screws and nuts, being careful not to lose them in the depths of your machine. These will be reused. Note how the lamp sockets are mounted to the plastic.
- 9) Install the new mylar bracket from step 5 above. It's Plastic, mylar, bracket, then lamp socket, and nut. Basically; your adding the new mylared bracket between the lamp socket at plastic. Re-use the #4-40 screws and nuts to secure the whole assembly back together.
- 10) Once marginally tight; adjust the new bracket so it's "parallel" to the front surface of the plastic. Tighten a little more if desired.
- 11) Reinstall plastic assembly to the standoffs using the two screws and washers from step 7 above.
- 12)

13) Reinstall the bulbs from step 6.



Figure 13. Installed Blackened Bracket

This concludes our broadcast day. Thank you, come again!