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Jumbo LED display kit etching design instructions

Step 1: Pick a free stencil font
1. Go to http://www.1001fonts.com/stenciled-fonts.html?page=7&items=10
2. Put the text (including case) you want etched into the page so you can see how it will be rendered. The font needs to be a stencil font without shadows, textures, or jaggedy edges. Everything etched is going to be the same color and texture. Note that everything that's not etched must be attached to the main un-etched area. Generally the thicker lines are preferred since the text will appear a lot more defined and readable. A graphics designer suggested all caps is better but that's totally up to you. The fonts I have successfully used are TR2N, Lorimer No 2 Stencil, Cleanwork, ICBM.Gunplay,
3. Send me your first and second choice of the font name to pinside via PM. Please keep all communications within a single message thread.

Step 2: Agree on a representative example proof.
1. I will send one or more proofs based on the sizing and spacing.
2. Send back the proof that you want that closest matches including any details about changes you'd like to make as a result of the results.
3. If there are revisions I'll update the proof and send it to you.
4. Repeat until we agree on a design.

Examples of a "good" font selection

Bad: The following have too many jagged edges and is too thin to show well

Bad: This one is nice and thick but still has jagged edges

Bad: These have "islands" of unetched space.

Bad: This one has "speckles" which represent islands of un-etched space.