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# Tech Sheet: Bell 427

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Bell 206B Bubble Cover

## Section 1: Cockpit/Bubble Covers

The **Bell 427 Bubble Cover** helps reduce damage to the upholstery and avionics caused by excessive heat and can eliminate problems caused by leaking door and window seals. They keep the windshield and window surfaces clean and help prevent vandalism and theft.

The **Bubble Cover** encloses the entire canopy including the windshield, skylights, and chin bubble Attachment buckles are made of nonmetal *Delrin*, designed for rugged outdoor use. Both the top and bottom hems of the cover have a special rope-hem feature with which they can be tightened to help prevent abrasive chafing of the windshield. Pockets are sewn into the cover for the temperature probe and pitot tubes. The bubble cover is reinforced with patches at hinge points, door handles, and for the windshield wipers. For ease of installation, the bubble cover is color-coded (red=left, green=right) with color swatches sewn into the corners.

This cover type is made from Silver Acrylic Sunbrella canvas and is 100% lined with a soft and smooth microfiber. Bruce's Custom Covers developed this material combination especially for aircraft protection. The outer material is medium weight and treated for water resistance, UV resistance and anti-static buildup. The inner lining is a very soft and smooth microfiber to prevent scratching. The material is very reflective, and tests show that the cabin interior temperature can be reduced to near-ambient temperature on the hottest of days. It is water, ice and snow repellent, yet breathable to allow moisture to escape from between the cover and the aircraft surface.

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The **Cockpit Cover** is designed to cover the windshield and side windows of the cockpit. Attachment buckles are made of nonmetal *Delrin*, designed for rugged outdoor use. The windshield cover comes with a duffle bag. The Tail Number (N-number, call sign, registration number, or serial number) can be imprinted onto the cover for an extra charge. The windshield cover is trimmed to match the colors of the aircraft.

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Bell 206B Bubble Cover



Bell 407 Covers: Bubble, Insulated Engine, Rotor Mast, Blades, Tailboom, Vertical Stabilizer and Tail Rotor

| Description | Part Number | Price |
|---|---|---|
| BUBBLE COVER | **427-000** | **$1900.00** |
| MAIN BODY COVER | **427-010** | **$7955.00** |
| MAIN BODY COVER (INSULATED) | **427-011** | **$10975.00** |
| BUBBLE COVER w/WIRE STRIKE | **427-020** | **$1965.00** |
| BUBBLE COVER w/WIRE STRIKE & RADOME | **427-025** | **$2570.00** |
| COCKPIT COVER | **427-050** | **$925.00** |
| COCKPIT COVER (with Wire Strike) | **427-051** | **$1115.00** |
| WINDSHIELD ONLY COVER (pinches into door jambs) | **427-052** | **$630.00** |

## Section 2: Engine/Tail Rotor Covers

**Blade Tie-Downs** are "socks" which fit over the blade tip with or without Blade Covers installed. Front blade tie-downs have two lengths of rope or strap which attaches to the front cross tubes on either side of the cabin. The other tie-downs have generous lengths of rope or strap to tie the blades down at any convenient spot.

**Engine Cover** details vary by model, but generally these covers are designed to enclose and protect the swash plate, inlet, exhaust and engine access areas. They are designed to tighten up around the main rotor drive shaft and tailboom bottleneck areas, and attach securely with straps either under the belly or to the land gear cross tubes (or both). *Delrin* buckles are used to tighten the attachment straps. The engine cover is made of Solution-Dyed Polyester or acrylic *Sunbrella*, and is available in a variety of colors ([contact us for details](/contact). Specific information for each model is available on request.

**Rotor Hub Covers** overlaps with the Blade Covers to ensure complete protection for the entire main rotor system. Designed like a

jacket with sleeves and no collar, the rotor hub cover fastens together below each blade with *Delrin* buckles. The Rotor Hub Cover is normally made from Solution-Dyed Polyester.

Bruce's **Bell 427 Blade Covers** are made of medium-weight Solution-Dyed Polyester and designed to avoid trim tabs or wicks. You can install Blade Covers from the ground with the aid of a lightweight rope attached to the open end. Covers are cinched tight at the blade root with straps and quick-release plastic buckles. The **Cold Weather Blade Covers** are fitted with full-length zippers and optional deice "boots" designed to accept a preheater hose; a small opening at the tip of the cover allows for some air circulation and drainage in freezing weather. Some part numbers have features for an extra charge.

The **Bell 427 Insulated Engine Cover** works well in cold climates to help with engine preheating. You can add an access flap for an additional fee. It will cinch around or behind the spinner, cover the entire engine cowl area including the engine air inlets, and fastens together with Velcro beneath the spinner down the front of the cowling.

Insulated Covers Material - A special composite material of solution-dyed polyester, 3M Thinsulate insulation, and soft nylon interior fabric. Our insulated covers are designed to complement an engine preheater and help retain heat in the engine compartment after shutdown. If you operate your aircraft in cold-weather, these covers will help prevent engine wear and tear.

The **Bell 427 Tail Rotor Cover** is a one-piece design which encloses both the blades and their hub, snapping closed along the bottom edge. The tail rotor cover is normally made from Solution-Dyed Polyester.

ALL-YEAR USE MATERIAL - Made with Silver Acrylic Sunbrella canvas, the all-year use material is the best option for sun protection and cover longevity. This heavier more durable material is intended for all weather conditions, such as rain and snow or lots of sun.

WINTER USE MATERIAL - Made with Solution-Dyed Polyester fabric, this option is intended for seasonal use to aid in deicing, rain mitigation, or for occasional travel. The material is lighter and more compact, but more susceptible to UV damage and may have a shorter useful life if used continuously outside than the all-year use material.



Bell 427 Rotor Blades, Main Rotor Hub/Drive Shafts, Horiz. Stabs, Tail Rotor Covers



Bell 407 Covers: Bubble, Insulated Engine, Rotor Mast, Blades, Tailboom, Vertical Stabilizer and Tail Rotor

| Description | Part Number | Price |
|---|---|---|
| MAIN ROTOR MAST COVER | **427-100** | **$580.00** |
| MAIN ROTOR MAST/DRIVE SHAFTS COVER | **427-101** | **$740.00** |
| MAIN ROTOR MAST/DRIVE SHAFTS COVER (INSULATED) | **427-102** | **$1145.00** |
| MAIN ROTOR MAST/DRIVE SHAFTS COVER (Folding Blades) | **427-103** | **$1080.00** |
| ENGINE COVER | **427-110** | **$1260.00** |
| INSULATED ENGINE COVER | **427-115** | **$1755.00** |
| EXHAUST COVERS (set of 2) | **427-120** | **$230.00** |

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| BLADE COVERS (set of 4) | **427-300** | **$1205.00** |
| BLADE TIE-DOWNS (fabric type) (set of 4) | **427-301** | **$875.00** |
| BLADE COVERS (cold weather type) (set of 4) | **427-310** | **$2690.00** |
| BLADE COVERS (cold weather/hail protection type) (set of 4) | **427-311** | **$4165.00** |
| BLADE COVERS w/Tie-Down Add-On Detail (set of 4) | **427-312** | **$1415.00** |
| TAIL ROTOR COVER | **427-400** | **$265.00** |

## Section 3: Plugs & Protection

The **Engine Exhaust Plugs** are custom fit for your Bell 427 exhaust openings, made with heavy-duty vinyl material, and stuffed with a single block of sculpted urethane foam. Exhaust plugs have 'Remove Before Flight' streamers sewn onto the face of the plugs. Exhaust plugs may be inserted soon after flight when the engine is still warm. Engine Inlet Plugs are commonly referred to as Cowl Plugs, Intake Plugs, Cowl Blocks, Engine Blocks, and Engine Bungs.

The **Engine Inlet Plugs** are custom fit for your Bell 427 intakes, made with heavy-duty vinyl material, and stuffed with a single block of sculpted urethane foam. Each plug has a zipper that allows the foam to be removed and dried if necessary. Engine plugs have 'Remove Before Flight' streamers sewn onto the face of the plugs. Most plugs are imprinted with the aircraft registration number in black for an extra charge. Storage bag NOT included. Engine plugs may be inserted after flight when the engine is still warm. Engine Inlet Plugs are commonly referred to as Cowl Plugs, Intake Plugs, Cowl Blocks, Engine Blocks, and Engine Bungs.

| Description | Part Number | Price |
|---|---|---|
| EXHAUST PLUGS (set of 2) | **427-125** | **$335.00** |
| DOGHOUSE NACA VENT PLUGS (set of 2) | **427-126** | **$210.00** |
| PLUGS SET, ABOVE & FORWARD OF EXHAUST (set of 2) | **427-127** | **$275.00** |
| PLUGS SET, BELOW & FORWARD OF EXHAUST (set of 2) | **427-128** | **$275.00** |

## Section 4: Tailboom Covers

The **Tailboom Cover** details vary by model, but generally the helicopter tail boom cover encloses the tail boom from the "bottleneck" to the aft end. They usually also cover the horizontal stabilizers, and are custom made to allow for antennae, lights, and other protrusions. They attach with straps underneath the tail boom. Covers for the vertical and horizontal stabilizers are also available separately. Specific information for each model is available on request.

| Description | Part Number | Price |
|---|---|---|
| TAILBOOM COVER | **427-200** | **$1165.00** |
| HORIZONTAL STABILIZER COVERS (set of 2) | **427-205** | **$505.00** |
| VERTICAL STABILIZER COVER | **427-210** | **$530.00** |

## Section 5: HeatShields & Sun Reflectors

**Cockpit Heatshields** are interior sunshades for the aircraft's cockpit. The product is a unique composite of closed-cell foam with a silver mylar finish. The semi-rigid design is stiff enough to stand inside the window framing. Darts and folds are incorporated into the material so that it conforms to the complex shape of the helicopter windows. The set folds up flat and is easily stored in the included storage sleeve. Some designs may require velcro and suction cups. A Heatshield is an excellent short-term remedy for cockpit overheating, but an external fabric cover is more effective for long-term protection.

**Heatshields** are interior sunshades for an aircraft's windows or canopy glass. The product is a unique composite of closed-cell foam with a silver mylar finish. The semi-rigid design is stiff enough to stand along the inside of the windshield using sun visors or window framing. It folds up flat and easily stores in the included storage sleeve. Some designs may require velcro and suction cups. A Heatshield is an excellent short-term remedy for cockpit overheating.

| Description | Part Number | Price |
|---|---|---|
| WINDSHIELD HEATSHIELDS (set of 2) | **427-900** | **$340.00** |
| HEATSHIELD SET (set of 10) | **427-901** | **$1100.00** |
| SKYLIGHT HEATSHIELDS (set of 2) | **427-905** | **$155.00** |
| AFT WINDOW HEATSHIELDS (set of 4) | **427-910** | **$505.00** |
| FORWARD SIDE WINDOW HEATSHIELDS (set of 2) | **427-911** | **$285.00** |

## Section 7: Light Weight Products: Travel Covers and FlyAway Covers

The **Bell 427 Lightweight Travel Bubble Cover** is the same design as our standard bubble cover, but the material used is very lightwieight and will fold up and store in a smaller space.

Travel Covers are made with Silver Solution-Dyed Polyester fabric and fully lined over the entire cover. The material is lightweight and more compact for easy stowage in the aircraft. The polyester material is water resistant, but only intended for occasional use outside. We also have an ultra lightweight material available for fitted hangar dust covers. For daily outdoor use, the non-travel Sunbrella Cover is the best choice.

The **Bell 427 Lightweight Travel Cockpit Cover** is the same design as our standard canopy cover, but the material used is very lightwieight and will fold up and store in a smaller space.

Travel Covers are made with Silver Solution-Dyed Polyester fabric and fully lined over the entire cover. The material is lightweight and more compact for easy stowage in the aircraft. The polyester material is water resistant, but only intended for occasional use outside. We also have an ultra lightweight material available for fitted hangar dust covers. For daily outdoor use, the non-travel Sunbrella Cover is the best choice.

| Description | Part Number | Price |
|---|---|---|
| TRAVEL COVER, Light Weight Travel Bubble Cover | **427-800** | **$1515.00** |
| TRAVEL COVER, Light Weight Travel Bubble Cover w/WIRE STRIKE | **427-810** | **$1570.00** |
| TRAVEL COVER, Light Weight Travel Bubble Cover w/WIRE STRIKE & RADOME | **427-820** | **$2055.00** |
| TRAVEL COVER, Light Weight Travel Cockpit Cover | **427-830** | **$745.00** |
| TRAVEL COVER, Light Weight Travel Cockpit Cover (with Wire Strike) | **427-840** | **$890.00** |
| TRAVEL COVER, Light Weight Travel Windshield Only Cover (Pinches Into Door Jambs) | **427-850** | **$505.00** |

***Prices subject to change. Other Covers and Design Alterations: Prices on request.***
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***Optional Items (check the box of the item you want)***

☐ ***Imprint** aircraft registration number onto both sides of canopy cover.....$35.00*

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