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Handi-Pac

The easiest way for customers to carry out rigid foam.

Ideal for Creating Arts & Crafts

- Home Decorations
- School Projects
- Packaging
- Seasonal Decorations

Recommended Supplies

Handi-pac, mask, gloves, safety glasses, utility knife, extra blades, paint, spray bottle of water.



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Safety Precautions

Work in a well ventilated area. Wear protective eye wear and dust mask when sanding. Use coveralls or an apron to protect clothing. Protect surfaces using cutting board, an extra sheet of foam, drop sheets, etc. Always cut with blade away from you. Supervise children.

Hints & Tips

Have a spray bottle of water or a can of static spray to help with the "static cling" of the foam.

To hide imperfections in the craft, use a water-based filler. When dry, use sandpaper to smooth surface. Sand in one direction using smooth strokes.

To affix two or more pieces together, use non-solvent based adhesives (such as white glue or non-solvent contact cement). Allow to dry completely before applying paints.

To produce a 3D effect, cut pieces in layers and glue together. Allow a few minutes for the glue to dry.

To create small holes (e.g. eyes), use a sharp skewer (or other pointed tools) to punch a hole through the foam.

Some products will dissolve the foam quickly (e.g., solvent-based adhesives, non-latex based paints, etc.). Always test products on a scrap piece of foam before applying it to your project.

Use a sharp blade. Dull blades may cause rough cuts or breakage.



Step one.

Create a paper template of the craft you want to make. For larger pieces create a paper template for each portion, then tape it together.



Step two.

Use small pieces of masking tape to hold the template in place, then trace the outline of the drawing onto the foam with a soft, felt-tipped pen.



Step three.

Cut the foam piece using a sharp utility knife. Extend the blade-length of the knife to the depth of the foam. Cut on a flat, protective surface (cutting board, extra sheet of foam, etc.)



Step four.

Smooth rough or jagged edges with a sanding block or sandpaper (fine to medium coarse) Finish using ONLY water-based paints or spray paints (e.g. latex, acrylics)



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