

National Services Te Paerangi Template

Nesting



Materials

- Tyvek (spun polyethylene)
- PE. foam/ethafoam
- Masking tape

(Ask National Services Te Paerangi staff for a list of suppliers of archival products)

Equipment

- Ruler
- Craft knife
- 2B HB pencil
- Thin blunt object
- Hot glue gun
- Masking tape
- Clear, clean work space

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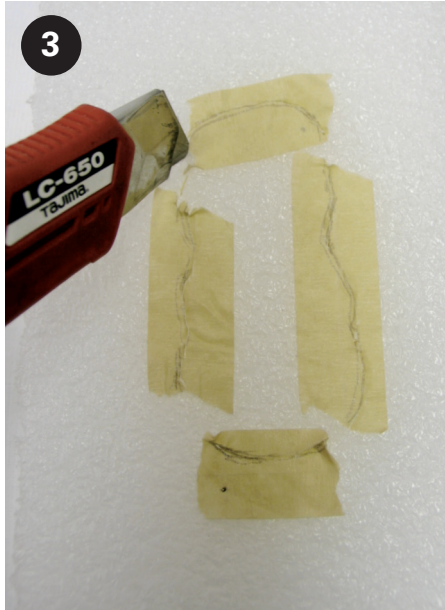
Check the object for fragility/damage, which areas of the object can be load bearing, and which cannot.

Select a piece of foam larger than the object. Make sure the foam is clean, eg, no hot glue residue.



2

Lay masking tape in the general shape of the object. This gives you something to draw on. Carefully draw outline around the object with a pencil. It's often good to include some spaces (voids) around the object for ease of removing it from the nest. Remember to place these voids in areas that are safe for handling.



3

Make sure you put the object safely away from your work area while you make modifications.

Cut out the shape outline of the object.



4

Cut a slot about 15mm deep around shape outline, 10mm away from the nest area.



5

Fit a piece of tyvek into the nest area, tucking the tyvek into the cut slot with a thin blunt object (ruler, knife etc).

Make sure you use enough tyvek to allow the object to sink into a natural position.

You can trial the object in the tyvek cradle and make fine alterations. The item can be secured with a tyvek band or cotton/tape tie.





6 Cut away the excess tyvek from around the silhouette and tuck the remaining edges into the slot.



7 Use a piece of cotton tape to secure the object. Tuck the tape into one side and hot glue this side – removing the object to a safe place first. The other side can be tucked in to hold the object in place. With larger objects, you can use two pieces of cotton tape that tie together.

The nested item can be kept in a box.

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