

# Instructions & Cutting Guide

Thank you for purchasing MāKRS Stain Pad. We are proud to provide you with the only wood finish applicator designed by woodworkers, specifically for fine, wood finishing. Please note, this is not a rag. Our applicators are like any other tool in your shop; they must be used properly to get the best results. See below and backside of this page for Instructions and cutting guide.

## 1. CUT

Cut your applicator to desired size. Each pad will provide six, 2.7 inch by 3 inch applicators, or eight 2 inch x 3 inch applicators.

1. Open resealable bag from the bottom



2. Size applicator to project or can opening



3. Cut to desired size (Cutting guide provided below)



4. Store remaining pads in resealable bag



## 2. CLEAN

Cleaning your pad is a critical step to ensuring a flawless finish. Complete the steps below away from combustibles, and always use a clean, unused pad. This process should take a couple minutes, but a flawless finish will be worth it in the end.

### ⚠ WARNING WARNING WARNING ⚠

The following steps should always be done outside, away from ANY and ALL combustibles. Do NOT attempt on a pad that has been exposed to any finish (even water based). Only clean, dry, unused pads can be prepared in this way. REMEMBER Explosive fumes can spread, never bring ignition sources into your shop.

The singeing process is quick. The pad should never touch the flame and should not be exposed to heat long enough to change color.

1. With a dry, unused pad, away from all combustibles, lightly singe loose fibers along cut edges with a lighter. Move quickly to avoid discoloring foam or fabric.



2. Use your fingers to aggressively rub the edges of the pad to ensure no fibers will release. Repeat steps 1 & 2 as necessary.



3. Use forced air, vacuum or tape to clean all cut edges and face of the pad.



## 3. USE

Apply finish with the rounded edge and flat sides using long, brush-like strokes; always going with the grain. NOTE: Stain Pad is not for use with alcohol based finishes.

1. Hold with one hand and use the rounded edge for application.



2. Load one side of the rounded end of the pad.



3. Apply in long even strokes across your project.



4. Use the other side to wipe smooth or remove excess stain.



# INSTRUCTIONS (cont.):

## 4. DISPOSE

Wrap pads and store in freezer between coats (Do Not Clean), or properly dispose of used applicators away from other combustible materials to avoid spontaneous combustion.

1. When you are done with the first coat, you can wrap the applicator in a glove, plastic or aluminum foil and place it in the freezer to use for additional coats.



2. If you are done with the applicator, set it aside, away from any combustible materials and allow it to fully dry before properly disposing of the pad.

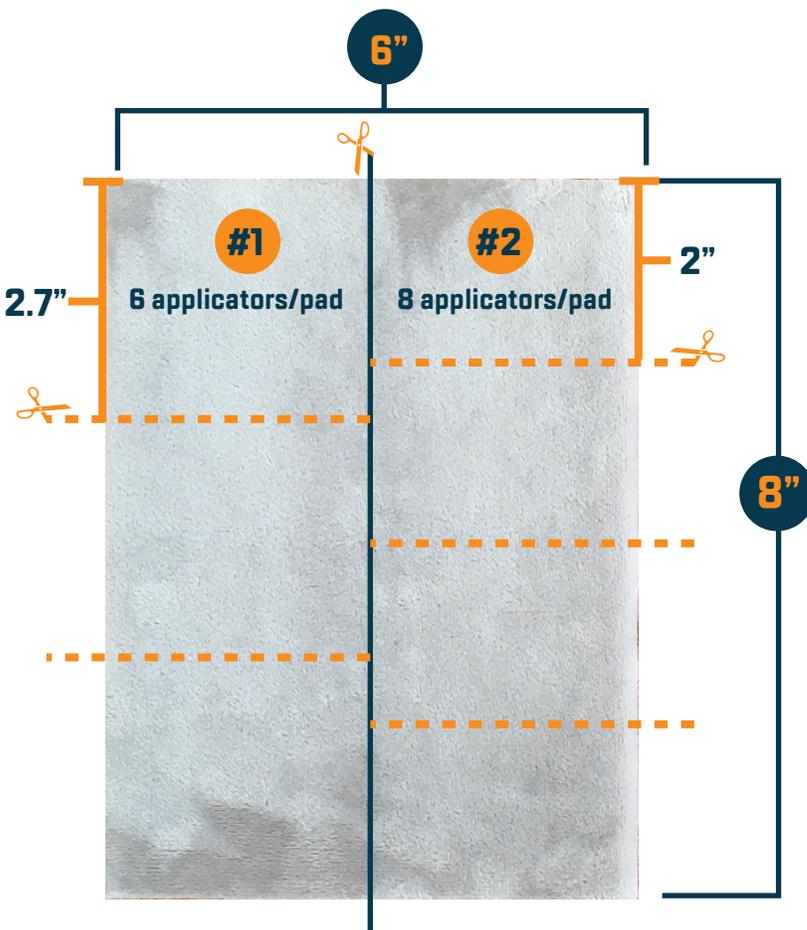


## CUTTING GUIDE:

Each Stain Pad can be cut into any number of shapes and sizes. To get you started, we have created a cutting guide for common applicator sizes below. Remember to follow the cleaning instructions before using the applicator.

**Each 8 inch by 6 inch pad will yield:**

6 Applicators 2.7 inch wide and 3 inches deep -or-  
8 Applicators 2 inches wide and 3 inches deep.



### Configuration #1 (6 applicators per pad)

Use scissors to cut pad in half along the center seam. Using one of the two halves, measure  $2 \frac{2}{3}$  inches down the rounded edge of the pad. Cut perpendicular to the rounded edge to create your desired applicator.

### Configuration #2 (8 applicators per pad)

Use scissors to cut pad in half along the center seam. Using one of the two halves, measure 2 inches down the rounded edge of the pad. Cut perpendicular to the rounded edge to create your desired applicator.

### Other sizing considerations

- Cut pad to fit into stain can
- Cut pad to cover the end of a pour spout
- Cut thin strips for testing multiple stains
- Cut edge less than 90 degrees to get into box corners.