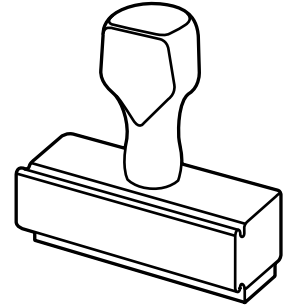


Traditional Stamp Tips

INKING: Be careful not to get too much ink on your stamp. Too much ink produces a bad impression. It's best to lightly tap the stamp a few times onto the stamp pad. Do **not** press the stamp down hard on the stamp pad, or else you will get too much ink on the stamp. Be especially careful if using a sponge ink pad, since they press down far and will easily get too much ink on the stamp.



STAMPING: To get the best impression, stamp on a flat surface with even pressure. Do not rock the stamp back and forth too much.

CLEANING: It is best to clean the stamp after each use, and before using a different ink color. If using water-based ink, you can clean the stamp with a damp paper towel or baby wipe. If using oil-based ink, it's best to use a stamp cleaning solution that should be sold at the same location where you purchased the ink. Be very gentle when cleaning so you don't damage the stamp.

BLEEDING: Due to the type of paper or type of ink you use, your stamp impression may bleed or spread out. If this happens, it's best to try different paper or ink. It is not due to a problem with the stamp itself.