

Mr McCormack's Mounting Image Notes

+KEY LINE AND BORDER CREATION +LIST OF REQUISITES FOR MOUNTING



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BORDERS

1 CREATE KEY LINE

Select/All

Edit/Stroke

Width ... 2 px

Colour = Black

Location = Inside

Blending

Mode ... Normal

Opacity ... 100%

OK/Select/Deselect

2 CREATE BORDERS

Image/Canvas Size

Relative

Width = 1.0 cm (0.5cm per left and right hand side)

Height = 1.0 cm (0.5cm per top and bottom)

OK

Select/All

Edit/Stroke

Width ... 2 px

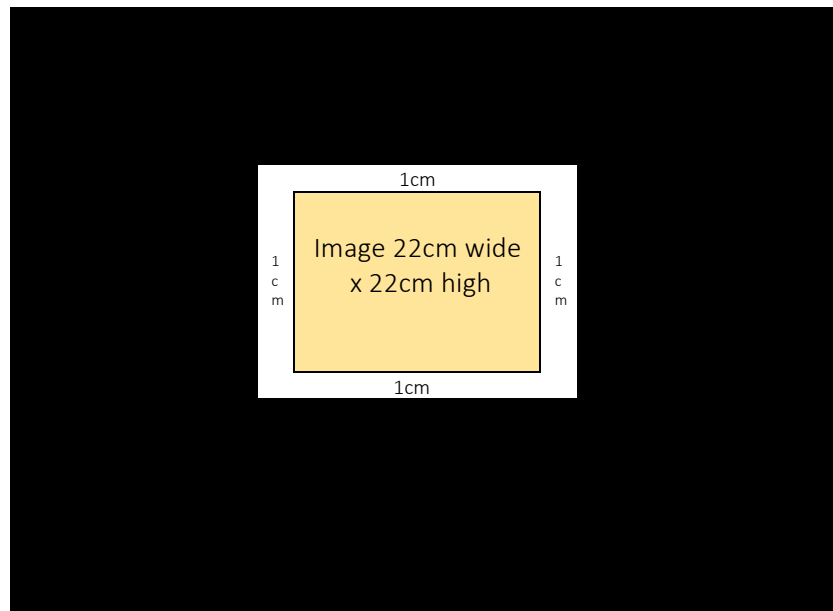
Colour – Black

Location ... Inside

Select/Deselect

MOUNTING IMAGES - Working out sizes:

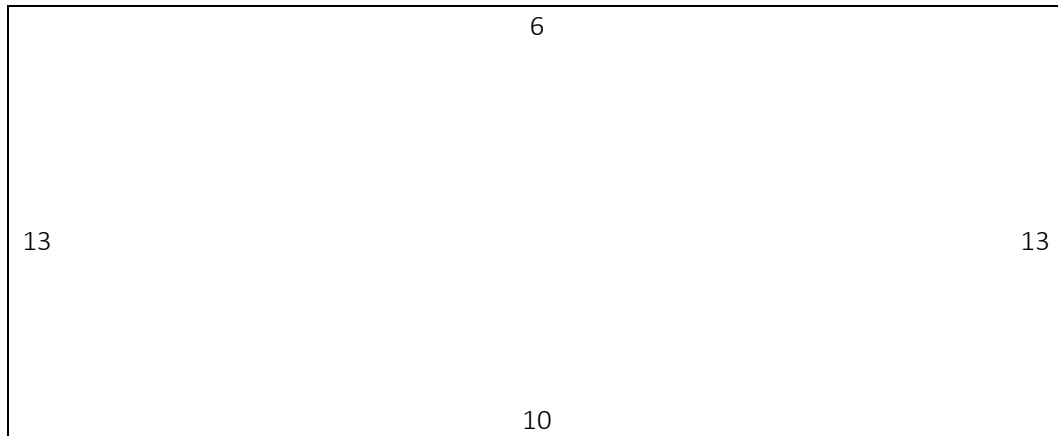
1. Measure size of mounting card. We will work on the standard maximum size of 20" x 16" (50cm x 40cm)
2. Measure size of print. (Maximum suggested size 13"/32cm.) For argument sake, we will take a presumed print size of a square 22cm wide x 22cm high. Therefore, allowing a 1cm border, all around the print (taken from the black "inside" line), the total image +border measurements equals 24cm x 24cm (left border 1cm + image 22 cm + right border 1cm).
3. The mount should ideally have 3 equal sides (top/left/right) and the bottom should be greater in depth (than the 3 sides).



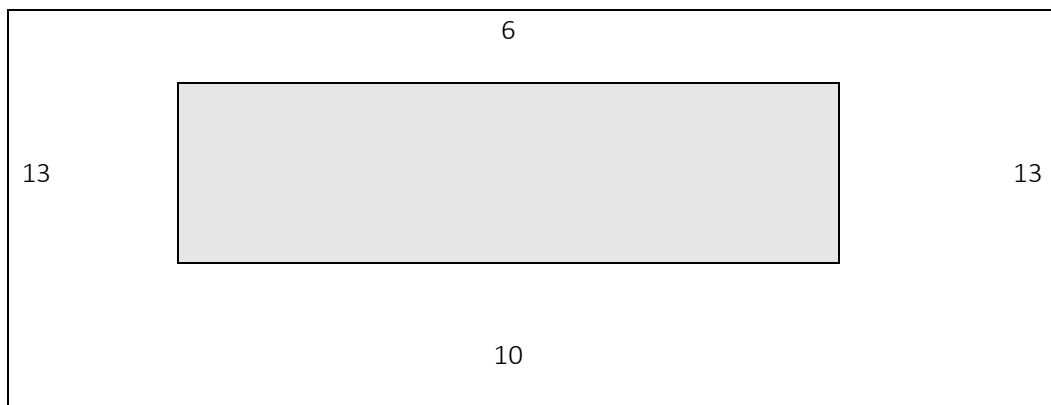
4. Therefore, to work out dimensions for the cutting of the mount (and we will now just use centimetres, to avoid confusion) take

WIDTH	Cm	DEPTH	cm
Mounting Card	50	Mounting card	40
Image + border	-24	Image + border	-24
Card -image	26	Card -image	16
Divide width by 2 (for left & right borders)	13	Divide width by 2 (for top & bottom, but make bottom deeper than top)	=8, but to make bottom deeper, suggest 6cm top & 10cm base

5. Turn mounting card over, and work on reverse side of card, and pencil at each side of the card, what the measurement cm should be:



6. Still on the reverse side of the card, rule out the measured dimensions:-



7. Using bevel cutting tool, still on the reverse side of card, cut out the 4 lines shaded grey, making sure you go right into the corners.
8. If no mounting board is being used, cut around image – trim off excess white of image – **TO NO LESS THAN 1cm** - (which will give a better grip of the tape to the mount).
9. Place image PRINT SIDE DOWN against the green self-heal board – line up against the “ruler lines”.
10. Using 5cm wide masking tape, place length of tape against the top edge only of the print.
11. TURN. Place the cut out mounting card, squarely over the top of the image, and press down firmly against the top.
12. TURN. Tape the remaining 3 sides, trim, erase pencil markings, and Duncan’s your uncle!!!
13. SQUARE IMAGES – Normally mount them vertically, making it easier to get 3 sides equal, and the bottom deeper.

NB. From my first couple of attempts, I found the tolerance of 1cm all around the image a little too tight, and I am therefore now working on 1.5cm, but I am sure it is to individual taste.

REQUISITES

ITEM	MODEL NUMBER	PURCHASED FROM	PRICE £
Logan Compact Elite Mat Cutter	350-1	Amazon	112.00
Logan Blades, pack of 10*	270	"	3.24
Ryman Cutting Self healing mat, A2, Green, 610 x 457 mm	-	"	12.16
Linex Hobby Cutting Ruler, anti-slip, light aluminium, Bevelled one side, plain one side, 50cm	LXE 2950 OM	"	5.51
Stanley lightweight retractable knife	0 10 088	"	3.18
Stanley 1992, Card 10, knife blades*	H/D 2 11921	"	2.77

*Spare blades for cutter and knife

NB – Also require an HB pencil, and soft eraser.

MOUNTING CARD INFO

1. Standard Mounting Card, 44" x 32" (1125 x 815cm) can be obtained in numerous colours, but standard White/Cream/Black is priced at £3.90 per sheet from **Midland Fine Arts.
 2. Midland Fine Arts will cut down card to 20" x 16", price £1.10 each (4 from a Standard Mounting Card). Ask for the off-cuts ... they are useful as a base when using the cutting mat!
 3. 2" PF Tape, priced at £5.00/roll.
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