



Rectangle Boxes

Rectangle boxes are similar in construction to square boxes but there are two different measurements for the sides.

Basic measuring rules for rectangle boxes

Bottom paper measurements = width of box + 2 times the height by length of box + 2 times the height.

For example a box that measures 3" by 4" with a height of 2"

$3" + 2" + 2"$ by $4" + 2" + 2"$

7" by 8"

Scored on all 4 sides at 2".

Lid measurements = width of box + 2 times height of lid + 1/8" by length of box + 2 times height of lid + 1/8"

For example a lid to fit a 3" by 4" box with 1" sides.

$3" + 1" + 1" + 1/8"$ by $4" + 1" + 1" + 1/8"$

$5 \frac{1}{8}" \times 6 \frac{1}{8}"$

Scored on all 4 sides at 1".

The following instructions are for a rectangle box 3" by 4" with 2" sides and a lid with 1" sides.



Step 1:

Cut bottom paper 7" by 8"
(3" + 2" + 2" by 4" + 2" + 2")

Step 2:

Score all 4 sides at 2".

Step 3:

Cut the score lines of the shorter sides up to the first vertical score line.

Step 4:

Turn paper so outside of box is face up, apply Scor Tape to the corners and assemble box with taped sides inside the box.



Step 5:

Cut lid paper to 5 1/8" by 6 1/8"
(3" + 1" + 1" + 1/8" by 4" + 1" + 1" + 1/8")

I punched an opening in the lid (see Helpful Hints and Ideas)

Step 6:

Score all 4 sides at 1".

Step 7:

Cut score lines on shorter side up to the first vertical score line.

Step 8:

Turn paper so outside of box is face up, apply Scor-Tape to corners and assemble with taped corners inside the box.





Helpful Hints and Ideas

- Use heavier card stock or designer paper for sturdier construction.
- Double sided designer paper can add additional interest to your boxes.
- Before assembling your lids consider cutting a circle or oval in the lid and adhering acetate to the underside. This will create a fun peek into the contents of your box. Add rub-ons or stamping to the acetate.
- Add ribbon pull tabs to your lids for easy removal.
- Embellish your boxes and lids with scallops, ribbon, buttons, etc
- Stack several square flat boxes of varying sizes to make a “cake”.
- Use the bottom box measurements to create a holder for a goodie bag.