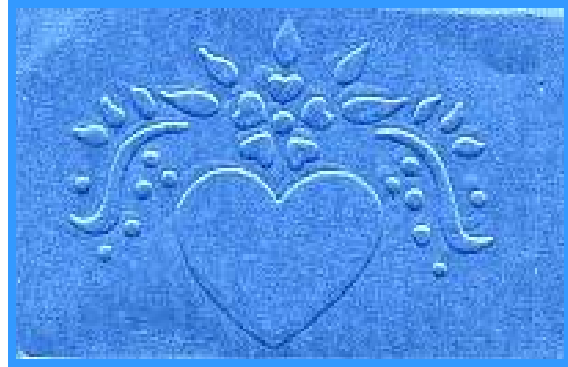


## Sizzix™ Sidekick Embossing Instructions

It is possible to emboss 'normal' brass stencils using your Sizzix Sidekick™ machine. Best results are obtained using pearlescent or mirror paper.

See the examples below I obtained on gold mirror and blue pearlescent paper:



In addition to your Sizzix Sidekick™ machine, you also need a sheet of Zip'eMate Embossing Foam and a shim. I used the two shims that come with the Sidekick starter kit, plus a sheet of A4 paper folded in half, then in half again lengthways.

### To Emboss

First, cut your sheet of Zip'eMate embossing foam down slightly so that it is narrow enough to fit through the width of the Sidekick.

1. Place one clear cutting mat on a flat surface. Place your handmade paper shim on top of the mat, then the two Sizzix™ supplied shims on top of the paper.
2. Put your brass stencil face upwards (if it has an obvious 'right' side, if not, it doesn't matter).
3. Put your paper upside down on top of the brass stencil (you should be looking at the back of the paper).
4. Place the Zip'eMate embossing foam on top of the paper.
5. Put the other clear cutting pad on top of the embossing foam.
6. Run the 'sandwich' through the machine forwards, do not take it out and then run it backwards so that you get 'two passes'.

When you remove the cutting pads from the machine you should now have a lovely embossed image on your paper.