

How to Cut and Emboss Spellbinder (Wizard) Dies on your Sizzix™ Sidekick

It is possible to both cut and emboss some of the Spellbinder (Wizard) range of dies using your Sizzix Sidekick™ machine. Before you invest in a die, just make sure it is slim enough to fit the width of the Sidekick.

Best results are obtained using pearlescent or mirror paper.

See the example below I obtained on gold mirror paper:



(Please note, in this picture I have not removed the die cut from the surrounding 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 Cut and 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. When you look at the Wizard die, you will see that one side has a raised edge. This is the cutting side. Put the Wizard die cutting side upwards onto the shims.
3. Put your paper upside down on top of the Wizard die (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 cut and embossed image on your paper.