

MOUNTING IMAGES AND ASSEMBLING A “READY TO FRAME” USING HINGING TAPE

For a **“do it yourself” ready** you will need your pre-cut mats, matching foam core backing and poly bags, some double-sided tape plus a roll of Framer’s hinging tape. All of these items can be purchased through our Online store.

To assemble your readies:

1. Lay your image face down on the bench.
2. Apply the hinging tape to the top edge of your image (*fig.1*), half on the image and half off. Length of tape? Around 1/2 of the width of your image.
3. Turn the image over so it is facing up. Now hold the mat board just above your image, centre the mat, and then lower it down onto the image.
4. Once positioned correctly, rub the mat with the palm of your hand (above where the tape would be) to press the mat against the tape.
6. Carefully turn the mat over again (*fig.2*) so it is facing down.
7. Rub the tape down well - it is recommended that you run your thumb nail along the tape, at the edge of the image, to ensure it is well stuck down along the “join”.

Your image is now hinged and is ready to be “tacked” to the foam core using your double-sided tape.

1. Tear off around 2cm of double sided tape and place a piece in each corner of the mat as shown
2. Line up and stick the mat to the foam core backing.
3. The whole unit is now ready to be bagged.

Please note:

Do not use sticky tape or masking tape as this will ultimately fail and could damage your image.

As the image needs to be able to “grow or shrink” along with atmospheric changes, only hinge with one single piece of tape across the top.

The mat is not supposed to be permanently stuck to the foam core. Depending upon how your customer is going to frame their “ready”, it is quite possible that the foam core will not actually be used.

Fig. 1

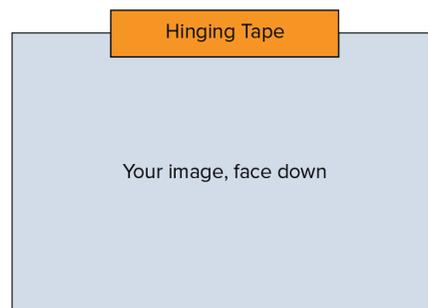


Fig. 2

