

# Morrison Camera Club

Presenting Images for competition

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# Preparing Your Print

- During post-processing you will need to crop and size your image for printing.
- You may be tempted to crop your image to a standard paper size or standard window size.
- This is unlikely to provide the most aesthetic crop of your image
- Recommendation: crop your image based on aesthetics, without resizing the image, then add a wide border while resizing to your chosen paper size.

# Print Mounting General Guidelines

- Mounting Board should be 50 cm x 40 cm
- Prints may be window mounted or surface mounted.
- Do not use low quality masking tape. The correct picture mounting tape is available from the Club.
- If using spray adhesive or double sided tape, use good quality supplies.
- Use backing card for window mounts.
- For internal competitions the back of the mount should be clearly identified with your competition code and an image title.
- Text orientation should match print orientation.
- High quality mounting improves the first impression of your image.

# Options

- Do it Yourself.
- Buy pre-cut mats and complete the mounting yourself.
- Use a Print Framing Service.  
(e.g. “House of Frames” in Llansamlet)

# Mount Board – Prices

- A1 size from The Range - £2.99 per board or £10 for 4
- Price per 50x40 sheet Ca. £1.25 to £1.50
  
- 50x40 sheets from [paperspectrum.co.uk](http://paperspectrum.co.uk)
  - Packs of 10
  - £1 to £1.40 per sheet depending on colour
  - Plus £4 delivery on order.

# Backing Board

- [paperspectrum.co.uk](http://paperspectrum.co.uk) prices given as an example
  - Backing board 50x40 £7.20 for 10                      72p each
  - Backing board 50x40 adhesive £8.40 for 5              £1.68 each
  - Backing board 45 x 32 grey              £4.80 for 10      48p each  
(For use with tape)

# Adhesives

- Picture Mounting Tape 50mm x 50metres
  - £2 per roll from the Club
  - Approx £4.50 per roll retail
- 3M Photomount Adhesive spray
  - Approx. £15 for 400ml.
- Double sided tape
  - 25mm x 50m - £4.80 (paper Spectrum)
  - 24mm x 25m - £2 (Hobbycraft)

# Material Cost Estimate

- £1.75 to £2.50 per print depending on system used.



# Pre-Cut Mat or Full Mounting Service

- You can buy mats pre-cut with the window size you specify  
Cadremont Picture framing in Cardiff  
(<http://www.cadremont.co.uk>) charge £2.77 per finished mat, but there is a £9 postage charge for orders less than £120
- House of Frames in Llansamlet will mount your print for you with a backing board for £3.75\*
- Other Services are available.

\* Camera club discounted price.

# Tools

- Tools required will vary depending on how you buy your materials.
- If you buy A1 sheets you need to be able to cut it down so you will need a straight edge, a sharp knife and a cutting mat.
- If you buy pre-cut sheets you may not need these.
- Though you will need to rough cut some larger boards occasionally, for use as a slip sheet when cutting windows.

- A2 cutting mat £10
- A1 cutting mat £18
- 1 metre straight edge £15
- Stanley knife
- Mat Cutting System – Ca £120
  - The main makes are Logan or Longridge.
  - Logan cutter is currently available for £70 from <http://www.createandcraft.com>

# PDI guidelines and demonstration.

1. During Post Processing, crop image for aesthetics not for size.
2. Decide if borders are necessary.
3. Save and keep a full size copy of the image prior to resizing for submission.
4. Resize Image to fit 1400 x 1050 limits
5. Save reduced sized copy as a jpg file and rename file as follows:  
Comp Code followed by underscore followed by Image title.
6. E-mail image file to  
[pdientries@morrisoncameraclub.co.uk](mailto:pdientries@morrisoncameraclub.co.uk)