

## Plastic Mold Instructions

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Making candles can be messy, so the first thing we recommend is to cover your work area with newspapers or our own Wax Off!! When you are pouring the hot wax into the mold, place the mold on an old cookie sheet or pan so if spillage does occur, you can contain the spilled wax and reuse it. Always keep wax away from the sink to avoid drain problems. Assemble all your materials before starting.

**Materials:** Plastic Mold  
 Wick  
 Mold Clamps  
 Mold Stand  
 Tape  
 Wax  
 Color  
 Scent  
 Thermometer

### Preparing the Mold:

- 1) Cut a hole in the bottom of the mold that does **not** have the slot for the wick at the top (**figure 1**). This hole will be used to pour your melted wax into.
- 2) Put your wick on the other half of the mold (with the wick slot), taping it to the top and bottom to secure it (**figure 2**).
- 3) Secure the two halves together using plastic mold clamps and place the mold in a mold stand (**figure 3**).



figure 1

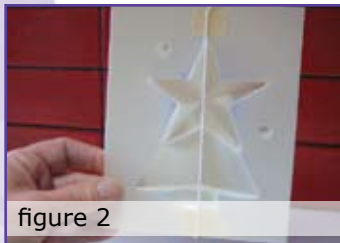


figure 2



figure 3



figure 4

### Melting the Wax:

Melt your wax in an aluminum melting pot. When your thermometer reaches 180°F, add your color and stir thoroughly. **Never leave melting wax unattended.** Do **not** exceed 200°F when pouring into your plastic mold.

### The Water Bath:

A water bath will give your candles a sleek, glossy look to them and speeds up the cooling process. If your mold is in a mold stand, you may put your mold into a water bath using room temperature water. Make sure to use a weight on the mold. After you have poured the wax into the mold, wait approximately 30-45 seconds, tapping the sides of the mold to remove any air bubbles. Gently place the mold into the water bath, adding more water to the container if necessary, to reach the top of the mold, taking care not to get any water into the mold. Usually 30 to 60 minutes is enough time for your mold to be in the water. If you are not using a mold stand, putting your mold into a water bath will most likely not be possible.

### Re-pouring the Candles:

As your candle cools, it will sink, or form a well. Use a wick rod, chopstick, etc. to poke around the wick and refill the well with your leftover wax at 180°F (**figure 4**). Repeat as necessary.

### All Done:

When your candle has completely cooled, remove the wick clamps and tape and remove the candle. If you can't get it out, place in the refrigerator for approximately 30-45 minutes. Remove the seam line by using a sharp knife and holding it at a 45° angle and slide it down the seam.

### Cleaning your Mold:

To remove any wax left in the mold, use mold cleaner and a soft cloth. Do **not** pour wax remover directly into the plastic mold; always put on a rag first.