AMERICAN BUTTON MACHINES

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Special instructions for making fabric buttons.

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Our button machines are manufactured to accept a certain material thickness. You will learn through experience what works best with the material you are working with. The instructions below will help jump-start you into making buttons successfully.

Paper Buttons

Paper Buttons: If you are going to make a paper button, simply follow the instructions included with your machine, or included in you Button Essentials™ instructional CD. The material you place on top of the front shell consists of your printed graphic and mylar, AKA the "clear plastic disc".

Fabric Buttons

Rule #1: Do not use mylar with any fabric type button. This will make your material too thick and cause your machine to jam. It also defeats the purpose of making a fabric button to begin with!

Fabric Buttons: If you want to make a button out of a fabric that is visually interesting or has unusual designs, simply add a piece of paper (cut to the same size as your fabric) underneath your material. The additional paper will give your fabric extra volume needed to crimp properly. It also keeps the button's metal from shining through your fabric.

Embroidered Fabric Buttons

If you are going to embroider buttons, you can save time and money by keeping the thin stabilizer on the back of your embroidered fabric. The stabilizer will add the extra thickness required to crimp a button successfully. In this way you do not need to add paper behind your material as you would if you were only making a fabric button.

SPECIAL NOTE: Our fabric button machines are designed to accept light to medium cotton type fabric. Thicker fabric can jam the machine. Please contact us if you are using a thicker material, as special adjustments may be required to make buttons successfully.