ARCANE CANE

Cutting and Sizing Your Arcane Cane

Please take any safety precautions you can. Eye and hand protection are recommended safety gear for cutting your Arcane Cane.

A cane is properly sized when it is comfortable for you. Many will find the height of their cane is most comfortable when there is a slight bend in their elbow. These instructions will allow you to cut your cane close to a height you might like.

Your first cut may not be the height you want to leave your cane. You may want to 'sneak up on' the height you like by removing a small amount for a second or third very small cut. It is recommended that after you cut your cane by these directions once, try it out for a while, maybe a day or more to see if your cane needs to be shorter. Once you have cut your cane, or tried to it is no longer returnable.

You may feel or find that you don't have enough skill or strength in your hands to comfortably cut your Arcane Cane for yourself. Please if you feel this process may be difficult for you in any way, get help from a handy person. Thank you. When done well and correctly, this process only takes a few minutes.

What you'll need:

1. Arcane Cane
2. Tubing Cutter
3. A lick of Masking Tape
4. A Measuring Device
5. A safe place to work, preferably seated where nothing around you will get broken or struck by moving the cane about
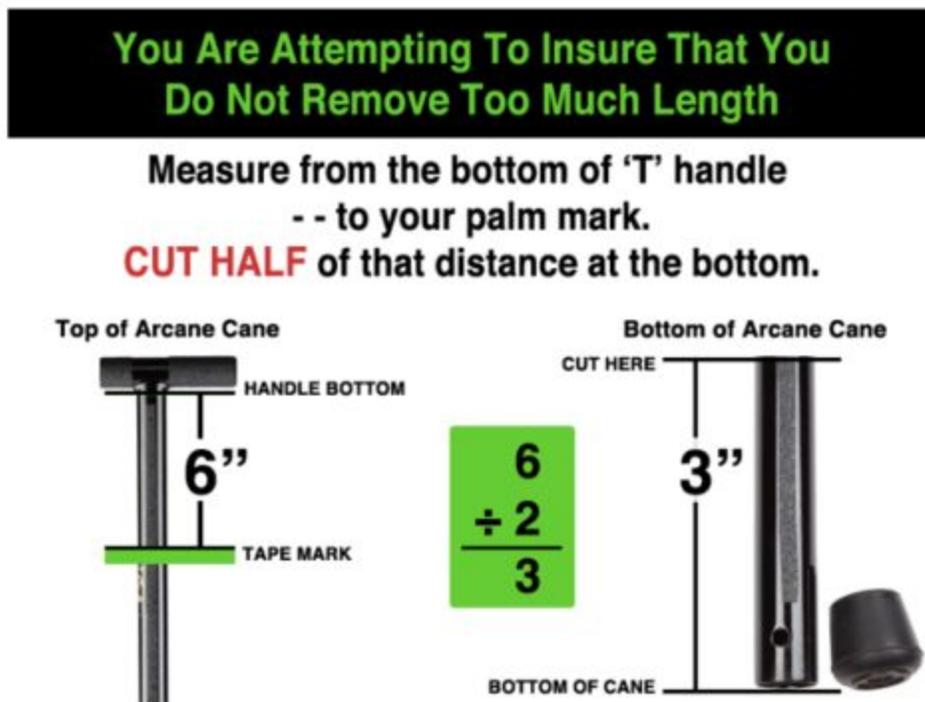
Pro Tip: Bring a chair outside if that is suitable.

Instructions for sizing:

Stand up straight. Let the cane rest against the side of your body you will favor carrying the cane. Set your shoulders level. Reach down along your side comfortably past the handle of the cane. Tilt your hand outward, away from you and look where your wrist, or bottom of your palm contacts the cane.

Pro Tip: Be careful to not lean into your reach down the cane and to not slip the position up or down where the reaching hand is contacting the cane.

Put the top edge of the lick of tape where your measure line should be. Measure that distance, from the bottom of the cane handle to the top edge of the lick of tape. An example is depicted below.

Move the lick of tape to the bottom of your Arcane Cane using the edge of the tape as your line, mark 1⁄2 that distance from the bottom of your cane as the measurement just taken from the top.

Open the jaws of your Tubing Cutter and slide on to the cane near your mark where the cutting wheel will split the cane shaft.

Tighten the jaws snugly to the cane shaft where the cutting wheel will split the cane. Don't over tighten.

Pro Tip: If you have difficulty holding back the leverage of the Tubing Cutter as you roll the tool around the shaft, turn the project upside down and place the handle between your feet while seated and continue rolling the tool around the shaft, tightening with each rotation as instructed.

Begin to roll the snugly tightened tool around the shaft on your cutting mark. Tighten a little more with each pass around the cane shaft. Make sure your cut path stays in the groove and does not come away from its original path.

Pro Tip: Be careful as your cut is completing. The cut end may break off sooner than expected and may fall. The cut ends of the cane may be somewhat sharp. Keep the work away from your face and be careful as your cut completes.

Tighten the jaws just a little more, then roll it around again. Repeat tightening the jaws and rotations until the cane shaft comes off.

Remove any masking tape that is still attached to your project. Replace the metal washer and rubber foot at the bottom of your cane and covering the blemished end and torn grip tape. Test your Arcane Cane out for comfort. How does it feel?

It is recommended that you do not cut your cane again right away. Try it for a while, maybe a day or two and if you feel a little more needs to come off the end, you can cut a small amount again and sneak up on your desired size.

Please use your Arcane Cane in good health. Thank you.

Have a question or concern about your Arcane Cane? Drop us a line... We'd love to hear from you! Contact us via email at arcanecane@gmail.com.