

Soap Impressions

Selecting a Size for Your Soap Stamp

When you stamp soap, you compress the soap. If you stamp too close to the edge of the soap bar, you can cause the edges to deform. Generally, we recommend allowing 3/8" between the edge of the bar and the stamped area.

To figure this, first determine whether you want to stamp your bar horizontally or vertically. Next, subtract .75" from each dimension of the soap bar.

For example: $2.5'' - .75'' = 1.75''$ and $3'' - .75'' = 2.25''$

So, in this example, the largest stamp that you should use would be 1.75" wide x 2.25" high in the vertical bar and 2.25 wide and 1.75" high in the horizontal bar. Depending on the shape of your design, these sizes may differ from the example. That is, if your design is square, shrinking it to 1.75" in one direction will shrink it to 1.75" in the other. If you design is a rectangle, you can generally use a larger image on the vertical bar since it is taller.

You can make your stamp larger than this, but it usually means that you will need to be more careful when stamping to protect the bar edges. You can certainly make the image smaller if you wish.

