

MSO Miniature Maker's Glue Reference Guide

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Quick Reference: Glue Types & Uses

White Craft Glue (PVA)

Best For: Wood-to-wood, paper, fabric, porous materials

Pros: Non-toxic, dries clear, repositionable

Cons: Slow drying, not for non-porous materials

Tip: Keep damp cloth handy for cleanup

Super Glue (CA)

Best For: Quick repairs, metal, non-porous surfaces

Pros: Fast-setting, strong bond, versatile

Cons: No repositioning, can fog plastic

Tip: Start with gel formula for control

Hot Glue

Best For: Temporary holds, landscaping, quick mockups

Pros: Fast-setting, removable, fills gaps

Cons: Visible strings, bulky, not archival

Tip: Use low-temp gun for delicate work

E6000

Best For: Glass, metal fixtures, heavy items

Pros: Bonds anything, flexible, waterproof

Cons: Strong odor, 24-hour cure, messy

Tip: Ventilate area, apply with toothpick

Mod Podge

Best For: Paper, decoupage, wallpaper, fabric

Pros: Glues and seals, dries clear

Cons: Not structural, can wrinkle paper

Tip: Apply thin coats with foam brush

Two-Part Epoxy

Best For: Heavy-duty repairs, structural work

Pros: Strongest bond, gap-filling, sandable

Cons: Requires mixing, messy, short work time

Tip: Use only when others won't work

Material Matching Chart

Material Combination	Recommended Glue
Wood to Wood	White craft glue
Metal to Wood	E6000 or Super glue
Glass/Plastic Windows	E6000 or Super glue gel
Fabric & Textiles	White craft glue
Paper Wallpaper	Mod Podge or diluted white glue
Tiny Beads/Findings	Super glue gel or E6000
Quick Repairs	Super glue or Hot glue
Stone/Ceramic	E6000 or Epoxy

Essential Tools

- Toothpicks
- Fine-tipped applicator bottles
- Tweezers
- Cotton swabs
- Wax paper or silicone mat

Beginner's Starter Kit

- White craft glue
- Super glue gel
- E6000
- Hot glue gun (low-temp)

Common Mistakes

- ✗ Using too much glue
- ✗ Not allowing proper cure time
- ✗ Wrong glue for the material
- ✗ Skipping test applications

Safety Reminders

- ✓ Work in well-ventilated areas
- ✓ Keep caps tightly closed
- ✓ Store in cool, dry places
- ✓ Keep adhesive remover handy
- ✓ Read manufacturer instructions

Golden Rule of Miniature Gluing

LESS IS MORE!

In miniature work, a tiny amount goes a long way

Print this guide and keep it in your crafting space for quick reference!

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