

How to ITH Snap Tab

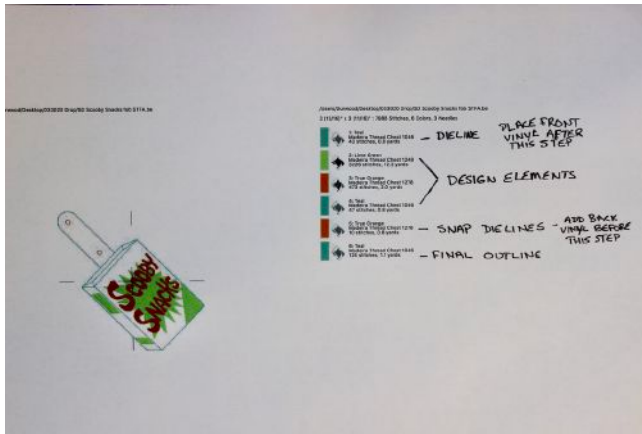
SPECIAL NOTES:

This PDF may not show exactly the same fob you are making but the steps are the same 😊.

Materials:

Medium- heavy weight cut away Stabilizer
(2) 5" x 5" vinyl pieces
1 set of Kam snaps,
(2 caps, 1 innie, and 1 outie)
(1) lobster claw or split ring
505 spray and painter's tape

Before we get start stitching, let's take a look at the Color Stop PDF that came in your zip file.



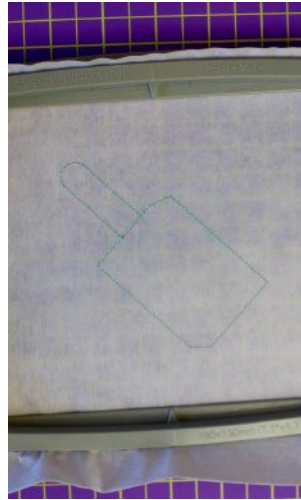
The fob in this PDF has 6 Color stops, yours may have more, but that's ok. This PDF will work for any STFA fob.

The first color stop is the Die line that will show you where to place your vinyl the thread color is the suggested vinyl color. You're going to run this before placing your vinyl.

The next few colors are going to be your design elements.

The 2nd to last color stop which is always Orange (#1278) is the die lines for the Kam Snaps. We're going to put the back piece of vinyl on before this step. (VERY OLD designs may not have this step)

The last color stop is your final outline, this will either be a bean stitch or a satin depending on your fob design.



Step 1: Guess what step 1 is? If you guessed Hoop a piece of medium-heavy cutaway stabilizer you WIN!

Step 2: Run Color Stop 1 on your blank stabilizer only. This is going to give you the die line so you know where in the hoop to place your vinyl. ALSO, the thread color suggestion of the die line is the color vinyl you should use IF the color of the vinyl is important in the design.

Step 3: Place your Vinyl. DON'T hoop it, FLOAT it! You can use a little 505 spray to hold it in place or a little blue painters tape works well too. Make sure your vinyl covers up your die line completely.

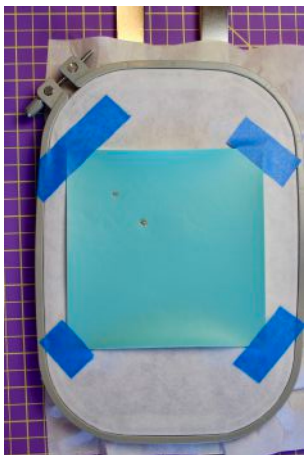
Step 4: Run all of the design element color stops, (this will be all but the last 2)



Step 5: Now take you hoop off of the machine but **DO NOT** unhoop your fob. Flip your hoop over and tape your back vinyl piece to the hoop. Make sure you secure this to your hoop really well, because... Gravity! **Run the 2nd to last color stop, this will be the orange one (color #1278) that we mentioned at the beginning.** This will stitch your Kam Snap Die lines.



These pics show the front and back of the example fob after the Kam snap die lines are stitched.



Step 6: Now you're going to stitch that last color stop, this is the one that stitches the final outline (it will either be a bean stitch or satin stitch) This is when you want to change your bobbin thread to match your top thread if you prefer that. Just remove the hoop from your machine and swap out your bobbin. **Run the last color stop.**



Step 7: Now it's time to get your cut on with some super sharp scissors. You want to cut close to the final stitching, but not TOO Close, usually about 1/8" away does the trick.





Step 8: Now that your fob is all cut out, you need to put a couple holes in the tab for your snap.

You can either grab and awl, and Stab them open. Make sure you stab them **REAL GOOD**.



If you're not the stabby type and have a leather punch you can use that too.



Step 9: Grab your snap parts. You need one complete set, which is 2 caps (the spikey ones), 1 innie, and 1 outie.



Step 10: Slide one of the spikey caps through one hole on your tab. Make sure the flat pretty part is what you'll see on the front of your fob. Place either the innie or the outie (your choice this time) on the spike, grab your snap setting pliers and give it a good hearty **SQUEEZE!**



Step 11: Place your other spikey cap in the other hole, grab the innie or outie piece that's left, whichever one you didn't use first place it on the spike, and use your snap pliers to smash those parts together. Wait, is that a cat paw in the background. Yes, yes it is. Just ignore that. A cat is not required to put on the snaps.



Step 12: Last step, Grab your lobster claw or split ring, feed your tab through it and Snap those snaps!



**YAY!!! It's all done,
now go enjoy your
fob!**



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