

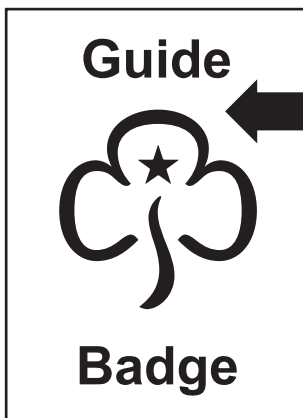
How to make low cost ribbon badges.....

Buy:

- White Polyester ribbon - eg. double satin ribbon, 40mm or 50mm wide is OK but experiment with what you can get. It pays to bulk buy a roll of 20m or 50m which will last a couple of years!!
- T Shirt transfer paper for light coloured fabrics. (cheap on ebay)

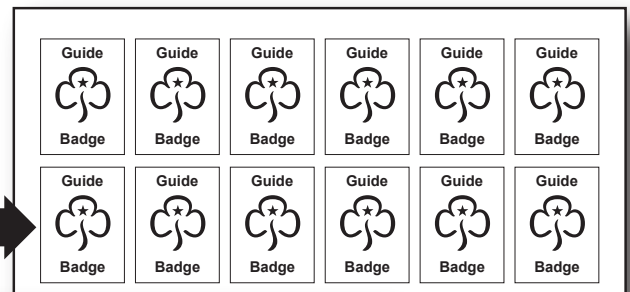
Need:

- Computer (with word or drawing software) and inkjet printer.
- Electric iron with the steam switched off.
- Ironing board or thick newspaper and a clean tea towel on a hard surface.
- Sharp scissors.



1. Design your badge. Make it 5mm - 10mm narrower than the width of your ribbon.

2. Copy and paste your design lots of times to fill an A4 page.



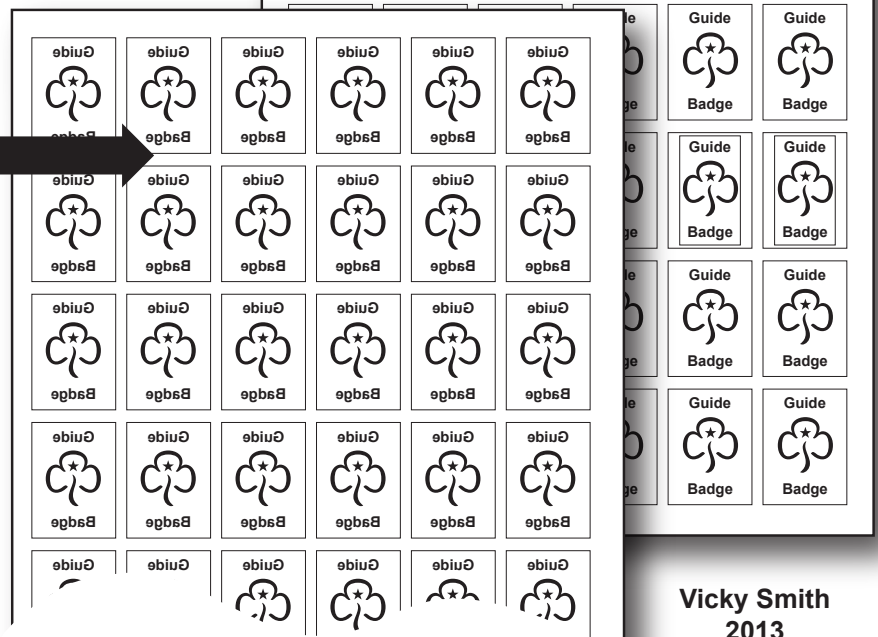
2. Print out a sheet of badges onto T-shirt transfer paper. You must create / print a MIRROR IMAGE.....

Either SAVE the file as a .PDF file. When printing the .PDF file the PRINT dialogue box *usually* gives you the option to print a mirror image.

OR

In some software packages you can flip / reflect the images on the page before you select PRINT

Do a few test runs on scrap paper before you use the transfer paper.



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3. Using sharp scissors, cut up the badges.

4. Place badge face down onto the ribbon and iron on with a hot iron (it will iron on much quicker than the instructions say.)

5. Leave to cool before peeling off the backing paper.

6. The badges just need to have the two cut edges folded under before they are sewn on to the blanket.....

IMPORTANT: Guides / parents need to know that the badges won't stand being ironed so are best used on camp blankets, bags etc rather than uniform.