Ken's Sewing Center's Stabilizers

Light Weight Tearaway Stabilizer: Designed for low-density stitch counts on stable to semi-stable fabrics. Firm, crisp and easy to tear away. Also for use under decorative stitches and buttonholes where minimum stabilization is needed. Can also be used for quilters who are paper piecing or foundation piecing. Tears neatly around edge of stitched area. (1.5 oz.)

Medium Weight Tearaway Stabilizer: Designed for light to medium stitch counts on stable to semi-stable fabrics. Firm, crisp and easy to tear away. Tears neatly around edge of stitched area. Also available in black. (1.8 oz.)

Heavy Weight Soft Tearaway Stabilizer: Designed for high density stitch counts on stable fabrics such as satin, canvas, and denim. Contains additional polyester fiber to strengthen and soften the stabilizer. (1.8 oz.)

Heavy Weight Tearaway Stabilizer: Designed for medium to heavy stitch counts on stable to semi-stable fabrics. Firm, crisp and easy to tear away. Tears neatly around edge of stitched area. (3 oz.)

Fuse'N Tear: Ideal for knits and other stretchy fabrics. Fuse the fabric to the Fuse'N Tear before or after putting in the embroidery hoop. Eliminates annoying shifting, sliding and puckering of material. Excess then tears away easily, leaving no sticky residue.

Hydro-Stick Tearaway Stabilizer: A lightweight tearaway stabilizer with a non-toxic adhesive on one side that replaces other sticky backings or adhesive sprays. Perfect for small or irregular shaped garments or those toughto-hoop jobs such as baby socks, neck ties, bags, belts, collars, or panel programs that cannot be hooped in a traditional manner. Prevents damage to velvet, suede and leather, anything that should not be crushed inside an embroidery hoop. Used for hoopless embroidery. To use: Secure the Hydro-Stick in the hoop, moisten the adhesive surface with a moist sponge and apply the item. No gummy residue, no release paper, no stains. (1.5 oz.)

Peel'N Stick: Adhesive tearaway stabilizer used for "hoopless" embroidery or to provide additional stabilization of items during the embroidery process. Ideal for velvets, napped materials, silks, knits, vinyl, leather, and any material requiring a better hold or that won't fit in a standard hoop. To use: Hoop the Peel'N Stick and place on your machine, sticky side facing up. Then score the release paper and expose the adhesive side of the stabilizer. Place the item to be embroidered on the adhesive and begin embroidering. When done, tear away the stitched area and patch the hole in the stabilizer with another piece of Peel'N Stick and begin the process again. Eliminates the need for water activated adhesive stabilizers or spray adhesives.

Fuse'N Stick: A unique double-sided adhesive stabilizer that is ideal for appliqué. One side of Fuse'N Stick has a low-melt adhesive that is activated by using a medium setting on a hand iron. The other side of Fuse'N Stick contains a sticky adhesive protected by a paper backing. To use: simply iron the fusible side of Fuse'N Stick to the wrong side of your appliqué fabric, embroider if desired, remove the release paper from the other side of the Fuse'N Stick and position your appliqué on your base fabric. Stitch down your appliqué. Any excess stabilizer can be removed by tearing or cutting it away. Eliminates the need for water-activated adhesive stabilizers or spray adhesives.

Tear and Wash: Leaves no trace after being laundered! This medium weight tearaway is specifically designed to dissolve when the item in washed. Simply tear excess stabilizer from the finished embroidery – any remaining residue will dissolve with regular washing. Ideal for towels, chair backs, napkins, or linens where the back side of the embroidery is visible. Great for quilters to use in paper piecing or to trace a quilting design on for use during machine quilting. More than one washing may be needed for complete removal. (2.0 oz.)

Sew'N Wash: Soft stable fabric designed to dissolve in water. Use as a stabilizer or to embroider on lace or other open weave materials. Also for use in "freestanding" embroidery.

Adhesive Sew'N Wash: Soft stable fabric designed to dissolve in water with an adhesive on one side. Provides additional stabilization when embroidering on lace or freestanding embroidery. Application similar to Peel'N Stick.

Water Soluble Topping: This is a plastic topping designed to enhance embroidery done on the top side of high pile fabrics, such as terrycloth, velour, pique knit, corduroy, fleece, and velvet. Improves embroidery quality by preventing stitches from sinking into the pile of the fabric. To use: place on the top side of the item to be embroidered and sew. To remove, tear away the outside edges and mist with water any remaining areas. Allow to dry and brush away any residue. (.09 oz.)

No Show Stabilizer: Soft, sheer, stable, and translucent nylon-reinforced lightweight cutaway stabilizer. No unraveling. Specifically designed for left chest applications, eliminating the backing from showing through the garment - no more "ring around the embroidery"! Ideal for lightweight, light-colored fabrics - keeps outlines on track when hooped in with your knit fabric. Can be used with a medium weight tearaway for added stability. Ideal to also cover the back of the finished embroidery for a nicer appearance and to avoid having the scratchy feeling of heavier backing against the skin. Also available in beige. (1.5 oz.)

No Show Fusible Stabilizer: Translucent mesh, lightweight cutaway stabilizer with a low-melt adhesive on one side. Ideal for items that cannot be hooped, such as velours, leathers, silks, or other slippery items. To use: Apply the fusible stabilizer to the back of the fabric prior to hoping, then hoop both the stabilizer and the fabric to be embroidered. Or hoop only the stabilizer, lay the fabric on top of the hoop, and then fuse the fabric to the stabilizer. The adhesive is activated with a medium setting on a household hand iron, and is easy to reposition. (1.5 oz.)

Medium Weight Cutaway Stabilizer: Excellent for medium stitch counts on medium weight stretchy fabrics such as fleece, pique knits and other stretchy fabrics. Also available in black for dark colored fabrics. (2.5 oz.)

Heavy Weight Cutaway Stabilizer: Provides maximum stability on heavyweight fabrics such as heavy fleece and jackets. Used for large stitch counts. (3.0 oz.)

Fuse So Soft: A light weight tricot with a permanent fusible on one side. Light and soft, Fuse So Soft is excellent for quilting when a permanent stabilizer is needed. Also works well on silk and satin. Can be used as a backing behind metallic embroidery for a soft feel against the skin. Use a medium to high setting on a household iron or in a heat press to activate the fusible.