# **QUICK REFERENCE** for OESD Stabilizer Usage

Use this chart to identify what OESD stabilizer will produce the best results for your project given the density of your design and the material you are stitching on.

	CUT-AWAY							TEAR-AWAY								TOPPING		WASH-AWAY		
DESIGN DENSITY GUIDE  Best for:  ■ = heavy density designs  ■ = medium density designs  □ = light design density  * = all design densities	Heavy Weight	StabilStick	Medium Weight	PolyMesh	Fusible PolyMesh	Fusible Woven	Heavy Weight	Medium Weight	Ultra Clean and Tear	StabilStick	HydroStick	Light Weight	Ultra Clean & Tear Plus	Ultra Clean & Tear Fusible	Heat2Go	StitcH20	BadgeMaster	AquaMesh	AquaMesh Plus	
Baby Garments				0-1	0-1								*	*		*		0-1		
Canvas/Duck Cloth							•	•	*	•	•	0	*	*						
Challis/Rayon				0-1	0-1	0-1			*			0	*	*	0-1			0-1	0-1	
Cotton Fabrics	•		<b>)</b> – •			0-1	•	•	*	•		0	*	*		*		O-D		
Denim/Jeans	•	<b>)</b> – •	•	0-1	0-1	*										*				
Flannel				•	•	0-1	•	•	*				*	*		*				
Hard to Hoop Items (e.g. Collars)		<b>)</b> – •								•	•		*						0	
Home Dec Fabrics, Tapestries, etc.	•	<b>)</b> – •	•	•		*	•	•	*	•		0	*		*					
Freestanding Lace																	*	*		
Leather/Suede	•						•	•	*	•			*		*	*				
Linen			•			0-1			*			0	*	*		*				
Organza Chiffon																	•	0-1	0-1	
Paper		0							0			О		0						
Polar Fleece			•	•	•										<b>)</b> – •	*				
Sheer Fabrics																		0	0	
Silk/Satin							•	•	*	•		0	*	*						
Sweaters				0-1	0-1										<b>)</b> – •	*				
Sweatshirts	) - •	<b>)</b> – •	•	0-1	0-1										<b>)</b> - •	*				
Towels-Terry Cloth							•		*		•	0			<b>)</b> – •	*		О	•	
Towels-Woven Cloth						0-1	•		*	•		0	*	*		*		0		
T-Shirt/Polo Shirt	•	<b>)</b> – •	<b>)</b> – •	0-1	0-1										▶ - ●	*				
Velvet/Velveteen/Velour	•		<b>)</b> – •	0-1	0-1								*			*				

## **TearAway**

TearAway is suitable for stable fabrics without stretch. Use OESD TearAway stabilizers on tightly woven fabrics such as quilt fabrics, poly/cotton fabrics, canvas and duck cloth. TearAway can also be used on vinyl and leather.



#### **Light Weight**

10" White 10yd *HBT15-10* 15" White 10yd *HBT15-15* 

- Use on lightweight fabrics to stabilize low stitch count embroidery designs
- Very easy to remove
- Great choice for paper piecing of quilt blocks

#### **StabilStick**

10" White 10yd *HBSST-10* 15" White 10yd *HBSST-15* 20" White 5yd *HBSST-20* 

- A high quality medium weight tearaway stabilizer with a light adhesive coating
- Use on hard-to-hoop items such as collars and napkin corners
- Use on tightly woven and slippery fabrics that do not stretch
- Ideal for projects that require multiple hoopings

#### **HydroStick**

10" White 5yd *HBHT15-10* 15" White 5yd *HBHT15-15* 

- A medium-weight tearaway stabilizer with a starch-based, water-activated adhesive coating
- Great for hard-to-hoop, firmly woven items such as napkins, ball caps, and collars
- Ensures your item will stay securely in place until you remoisten the glue to remove the stabilizer

### Ultra Clean and Tear

10" White 10yd *HBT17-10* 15" White 10yd *HBT17-15* 20" White 10yd *HBT17-20* 

- · A high quality medium weight tearaway stabilizer
- Provides excellent stabilization for medium to high stitch count embroidery designs
- Use on woven fabrics, including towels, when no permanent backing is desired

#### Ultra Clean and Tear Fusible

10" White 10yd *HBTF17-10* 15" White 10yd *HBTF17-15* 20" White 10yd *HBTF17-20* 

- Iron-on stabilizer for use on woven fabrics
- A high quality medium weight tearaway stabilizer
- Provides excellent stabilization for medium to high stitch count embroidery designs

#### Ultra Clean and Tear Plus

10" White 10yd *HBTP17-10* 15" White 10yd *HBTP17-15* 20" White 10yd *HBTP17-20* 

- A high-quality medium weight tearaway, washaway stabilizer with a water-soluble adhesive coating
- Use on hard-to-hoop items such as collars, napkin corners and towels
- Use on tightly woven and slippery fabrics that do not stretch
- Ideal for projects that require multiple hoopings

#### **Medium Weight**

10" Black 10yd *HBT35-10* 15" Black 10yd *HBT35-15* 10" White 10yd *HBTW35-10* 15" White 10yd *HBTW35-15* 20" Black 10yd *HBTW35-20* 

- Use on woven fabrics to stabilize medium to high stitch count embroidery designs
- Tears crisply and removes easily
  Offered in both black and white

#### **Heavy Weight**

10" White 10yd *HBT25-10* 15" White 10yd *HBT25-15* 

- Easily supports stitch intensive designs on woven fabrics
- Has a stiff, crisp texture that gives extra support when embroidering softer fabrics
- Ideal for stitching designs that have large open areas in the center of the design

### WashAway

Use OESD WashAway any time there is a need for the stabilizer to be completely removed from the embroidered item. WashAway can be used for cutwork, freestanding lace and reverse appliqué. WashAway topping keeps stitches from sinking into the fabric and prevents any loops of the fabric from showing through the embroidery.



#### **AquaMesh**

10" 10yd *HBWAM-10* 15" 10yd *HBWAM-15* 20" 10yd *HBWAM-20* 

- An opaque mesh water soluble stabilizer
- · Perfect for creating freestanding lace
- Ideal to use on sheer or lightweight fabrics such as batiste when all traces of stabilizer must be removed
- Resists drying out or absorbing moisture
- · Rinses out easily with warm running water

#### **AquaMesh Plus**

10" 5yd *HBWAP-10* 20" 5yd *HBWAP-20* 

- An opaque mesh water-soluble with a water-soluble adhesive coating
- Use when embroidering hard to hoop items using low stitch count designs, when all the traces of stabilizer must be removed after embroidery is finished
- Ideal for use on sheer, fine, or lightweight fabrics, such as chiffon and organza
- · Rinses out easily with warm running water

#### **BadgeMaster**

12" 8yd *HBABM-12* 

- A great stabilizer when sewing on sheer, lightweight, and fine fabrics
- Use when all traces of stabilizer must be removed from the fabric
- · Use to create freestanding lace

#### StitcH20

8" 10yd *HBWST-8* 12" 10yd *HBWST-12* 

- This water soluble topping will not stick to your embroidery foot
- Has a textured finish for ease of handling
- Excess tears away easily; remove remnants by dabbing with water
- Use on top of item to be embroidered to keep stitches from sinking into the nap of the fabric

### CutAway

Use OESD's CutAway stabilizers with fabric that stretch including knit, loosely woven fabrics, and denim. CutAway stabilizer will hold more stitches than TearAway. Use CutAway for stitching dense designs on woven fabrics. As the name suggests, after embroidering the excess is easily cut away.



#### **PolyMesh**

10" White 10yd *HBC15-10* 15" White 10yd *HBC15-15* 20" White 10yd HBC15-20 10" Black 10yd *HBC15-10B* 15" Black 10yd *HBC15-15B* 10" Beige 10yd HBC15-10G 15" Beige 10yd HBC15-15G

- Excellent for use with thinner fabrics to prevent show through of stabilizer
- Soft but very strong, a good choice for knits and stretchy fabrics
- Securely holds embroidery stitches on garments or projects through repeated washing and wearing
- · Soft finish prevents skin irritation

#### **Medium Weight**

10" White 10yd HBC20-10 15" White 10yd HBC20-15

- Use with medium to heavy stitch count designs
- · Softens after washing, works well with soft fabrics as well as heavier fabrics
- · Use with medium weight stretchy fabrics, such as knits and lightweight denim

#### **Heavy Weight**

10" White 10yd HBC25-10 15" White 10yd *HBC25-15* 20" White 10yd HBC25-20 10" Black 10yd HBC25-10B 15" Black 10yd *HBC25-15B* 

- Use with large or stitch-intensive designs
- A good choice for denim, sweatshirt fleece, or heavy knits
- Softens after washing
- Excellent choice for open arm or multi-needle machines

#### **Fusible PolyMesh**

10" White 10yd HBF15-10 15" White 10yd HBF15-15

- Irons on for added stability during hooping and embroidery
- Used to stabilize fabrics like knits or lightweight woven to maintain softness
- Use when strength is needed to hold embroidery stitches through washing and wearing of lightweight items
- · Perfect for sweater knits

#### StabilStick

10" White 10vd HBSSC39-10 20" White 5yd HBSSC39-20

- A high quality medium weight cutaway stabilizer with a light adhesive coating
- 15" White 10vd HBSSC39-15 Use on knits or stretchy fabrics, such as jeans or other garments that stretch during wear
  - Use on hard-to-hoop or multi-hoop projects

#### **Fusible Woven**

15" White 5yd *HBFW-15* 20" White 5yd HBFW-20 15" Black 5yd HBFW-15B 20" Black 5yd HBFW-20B

- · Lightweight woven fabric with all-over fusible
- Adds body to light to medium weight fabrics
- Helps to prevent fabric puckering
- · Ideal for large embroidery designs or multihooped projects
- Use in combination with tearaway or cutaway stabilizer

# **Specialty**

Some embroidery projects require a specialty stabilizer to reach their full potential. OESD has carefully selected these specialty stabilizers to cover all aspects of embroidery.



#### Heat2Go

8" 10yd HTG20-8 12" 10vd HTG20-12

- A medium weight clear film that can be used as a topper or stabilizer for specialty applications
- Easily removed without distorting even delicate stitches
- The perfect topping for moisture sensitive fabrics
- A permanent solution to hold lofty fabric fibers in place under embroidery, such as towels, corduroy, velvet, wool, and fleece

#### **Top Cover**

15" White 5yd HBTC-15 (20) 8" x 9" sheets in

various colors - 4 sheets each of white, red, and black. 2 sheets each of yellow, orange, green, blue HBTCV-10

- Permanent topping
- Prevents show through on contrasting embroidery
- · Great for fleece and textured fabrics
- Variety pack includes multiple colors to match your projects.

#### Gentle Touch Backing

10" White 5yd HBGT-10

- For backing on embroidery that may be abrasive to sensitive skin
- For covering uncomfortable seams

#### **Appliqué Fuse** and Fix

8.5" x 11" White 20 Sheets HBA20-10

- Use with designs containing appliqué pieces
- One side sticky, the other is fusible making appliqué a breeze
- Can be stitched through and will not gum up the needle
- Does not leave appliqué feeling overly stiff

#### Fiber Form

10 10" X 2 YD ROLL HRFFC43

- Perfect for projects that require a firm base (boxes, hat rims, in the hoop projects, etc)
- Holds its shape
- Easy to manipulate and trim away with scissors
- · Machine wash and dry cleanable

#### **Fuse and Fleece**

10" 5yd White HBFF-10 15" 5yd White HBFF-15 20" 5yd White HBFF-20

- Lightweight fusible fleece
- Creates loft in embroidered items
- Add texture to tote bags, quilt blocks, trapunto and more
- Use on woven fabrics

#### SoftWeb

14" 5vd HBSW-14 21" 5yd HBSW-21

- Paper backed fusible web that fuses without bubbling
- Ultra fine web keeps projects soft and flexible
- Holds appliqués securely without adding bulk
- 8.5" x 10" 10 Sheets HBSW-8 Easily hand or machine finish
  - Soft enough to quilt through

#### **Fuse and Seal**

15" 5yd HBHSC-15 8" x 10" 20 Sheets HBHSC-10S

- Clear iron-on film for applying embroidery to most fabric without sewing
- Great for applying pre-stitched designs to shirts, towels etc.
- Heat activated bond that withstands repeated washings

### **StabilStick**

8.5" x 11" 25 Sheets HBSSTS-10

- Use template sheets to preview design placement
- Template Sheets Sheets are reusable and repositionable

Perfect for multi-hooping projects