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HOW TO INSTALL NORTHSTAR SILOFLEX APDs WITH NOCKS ON ARROWS.

Please read instructions thoroughly before getting started. To get the best results, please understand this is **NOT A ONE-DAY PROJECT**. Take your time and do it right. Make sure you allow plenty of drying time before using your new arrows.



Glue the nock onto the clean arrow shaft. Fletch-Tite adhesive from Bohning, Inc works best, but Quicktite or other superglues will do fine. Use only a small amount of glue. The solvent in the glue will melt the nocks if you use too much.

Hold the nock in place for a few seconds, and then run a small bead of Fletch-Tite glue around the bottom edge of the nock. Make sure this bead of glue touches both the nock and shaft. Wipe off any excess glue and set the shafts aside for a half hour or more.



Glue the APD onto the arrow shaft by placing glue into the groove, placing your arrow shaft into the glue filled groove and waiting for the glue to harden. The glue holds it in place so you easily tape it. Fast drying glue from a hot melt glue gun works great.



If you use a slow drying glue, you may want to tape it into place so you don't have to hold it until dry. A single piece of strapping tape will do.



Right-handed archers need to orient the APD differently from left-handed archers. With the slit of the nock held vertically and facing toward you, the APD needs to be attached in the 9 to 12 o'clock position for a right handed archer.







Place the APD such that the nock protrudes only 1/2 inch or LESS beyond the APD.

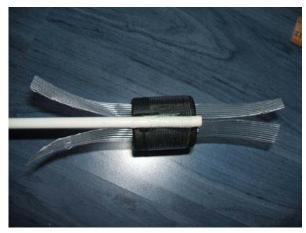
For a left handed archer, the APD needs to be placed in the 12 to 3 o'clock position. This helps prevent the APD from hitting the bow as it flies past.



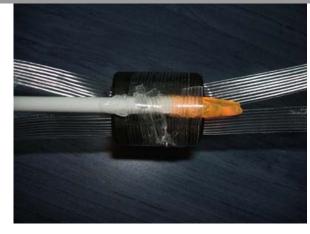
Take a 6-inch piece of one-inch wide strapping tape and split it lengthwise at either end.



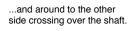
Leave the center intact.



Feed this through the APD so it sticks out evenly on either end. The sticky part of the tape needs to contact the inside of the APD.









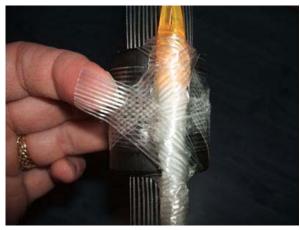
Do the same with the other 3 split ends forming X's.

Method One for the split tape:

Pull one part of the split tape TIGHTLY over the end of the APD...



Pull the tape TIGHT.



Repeat with another 6-inch strip of split tape over the first.



Method Two for the split tape:

Take one piece of split tape and wrap it around the shaft at the base of the APD. Pull it tight.





Do the same with the other piece of split tape, but wind it the opposite way around the shaft.

Repeat with another 6-inch strip of split tape over the first.



Wrap strapping tape (pull tight) twice around the whole thing, and then cover with electrical tape.



The electrical tape makes it look better and is a great place to write your name.

Take care of Your Arrows

You just put an awful lot of work into your arrows/bolts. Please take good loving care of them. After shooting, you MUST inspect them. Even if someone else has inspected them after a battle, you need to re-inspect your own arrows again. Do not shoot them again if you find any kind of damage, or if the Blunt is not seated or taped correctly. Arrows, like other weapons, need attention and up-keep. You will need to fix and re-tape them occasionally. Inspect them between battles and when you get them home. Don't wait until it's time to take them back out onto the battlefield to inspect them. Don't store you arrows in a shed or car where the temperature is uncontrolled. Extreme temperatures will make the tape come loose. I find this makes the arrow inspectors grumpy.

Be responsible and help me out..

SCA Society and SCA kingdom rules are always improving. Hopefully these instructions do not conflict with any rules, but you better check for yourself. If you find any problems with these instructions, I would love to hear from you.

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