



9th Caulfield (Murrumbeena) Cub Scout Pack (20 Ricourt Ave, Murrumbeena, 3163. Hall Ph: 9563 0111) Cub's Activity Sheet

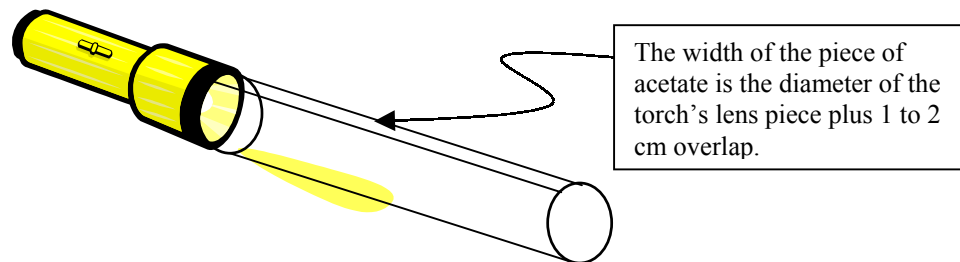
How to make a Skywalker Light Saber.

Material.

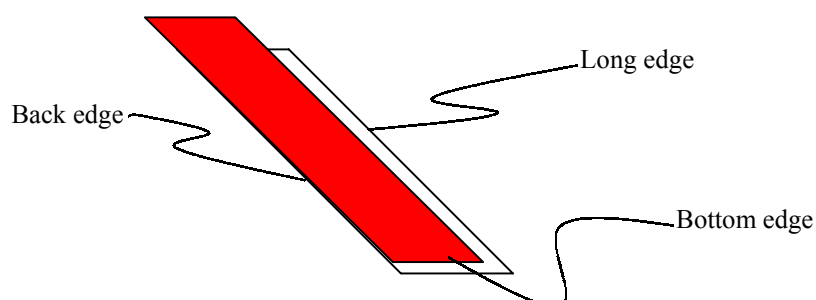
- A torch. Not too large in diameter around the lens piece.
- Batteries that fit the torch.
- Coloured cellophane of your choice.
- Sharp scissors.
- Clear sticky tape.
- Craft grade acetate film (.7 mm as a minimum)
- A mum or dad to help.

Instructions.

1. Wrap the clear acetate film around the lens end of your torch to measure off a piece that will fit. Ensure that you have about 1 to 2 cm of acetate overlap around the lens piece of the torch. Mark the acetate where you want to cut.

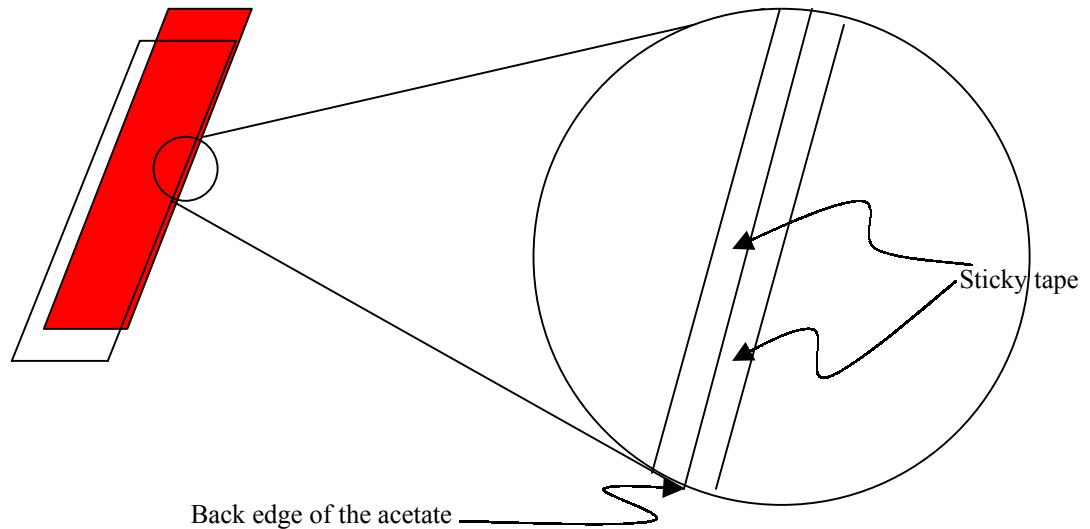


2. Lay the acetate out flat on a table and gently fold the end over so that the mark on the acetate where you want to cut is at the fold. Making sure that the edges of the acetate are level, gently crease the fold so that you have a proper piece of rectangular acetate. This should make a milky white crease line in the acetate that you can use as a cutting guide.
3. Open the folded acetate out and carefully cut along the crease.
4. Now lay the coloured cellophane out on the acetate rectangle. Make sure that the long edge of the cellophane is 1 to 2 cm in from the long edge of the acetate (this is the bit that overlaps on the torch's lens piece so you don't want any cellophane there), and about the same distance up from the bottom edge of the acetate (this is the bit that actually gets stuck to the torch so we don't want any cellophane there either). It should look like this:



5. Now using a long piece of sticky tape, stick the cellophane to the acetate on the long edge and across the bottom edge.

6. Carefully turn the whole piece over.
7. **Read this bit carefully!**
Using another piece of long sticky tape, tape right down the back edge on the acetate, but make sure that the back edge has only half the width of the sticky tape on it. You must fold the over half over onto the cellophane. It should look like this:



8. Unpeel the piece from the table and carefully fold the half exposed piece of sticky tape over onto the cellophane. You now have the basic light tube constructed for the saber.
9. Cut a few 3 to 5 cm pieces of sticky tape and place them where you can easily get them with one hand.
10. Now. The fun bit. Take a 2 cm piece of sticky tape and put half of it on the bottom edge of the acetate that does not have any cellophane on it. Stick the acetate to the torch lens piece. This holds the acetate in place, as you now have to roll the acetate around the lens of the torch so that it forms a long narrow tube. Be careful to make sure that the lens piece of the torch can still unscrew (that way you can replace batteries).
11. Using the pieces of sticky tape that you placed in step 9, form the tube of the light saber. These few pieces simply hold the tube's shape as you get ready for the second last job.
12. Take a long piece of sticky tape and carefully seal the tube right along the length. You can discard the few piece of tape that were holding the tube's shape as you reach them. It doesn't really matter if you don't.
13. Now trim the cellophane at the end of the tube. Scrunch up the cutoff cellophane and stuff it back down the tube to form a plug in the end.

Finished!

Where to get the materials (some suggestions).

Torch. There are \$2.00 torches available from IGA in East Bentleigh, the \$2.00 Shop in Centre Road Bentleigh and from Gail's Goodies. (Cost \$2.00)

Acetate. Craft acetate that is ideal for this job and many others can be purchased from Spotlight in Centre Road Bentleigh. A single piece is enough for 5 average sabers (Cost \$11.00).

Cellophane – any card and gift store. (Cost around \$2.00 which is enough material for 6 sabers)

May the force be with you!