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Model: 660425 | Brand: Sizzix

INTRODUCTION

The Sizzix Big Shot Machine (Model 660425) is a versatile manual die-cutting and embossing machine designed for a wide range of creative projects. Featuring a sleek white and gray color scheme and the Sizzix logo embossed on the handle, this machine offers both style and functionality. It is compatible with the entire Sizzix product library, including various dies and embossing tools, allowing you to cut and emboss many different materials up to 6 inches (15.24 cm) wide. This portable roller machine is ideal for creating custom cards, invitations, scrapbook pages, home decor, and more.



Image: The Sizzix Big Shot Machine in white and gray, with its handle and platform visible.

WHAT'S INCLUDED

Your Sizzix Big Shot Machine package includes the following components:

- **1 Sizzix Big Shot Machine:** The core die-cutting and embossing unit.
- **1 Extended Multipurpose Platform:** An adjustable platform with diagrams providing guidelines for creating various Sizzix sandwiches. This platform ensures compatibility with Sizzix components thinner than a Big Die and even other brands' dies and embossing tools.
- **1 Pair of Standard Cutting Pads:** Two clear acrylic pads used to create the 'sandwich' for die-cutting and embossing.



Image: The Sizzix Big Shot Machine displayed with its included accessories: a pair of clear cutting pads and the Extended Multipurpose Platform.



Image: A close-up of the Sizzix Extended Multipurpose Platform, showing the various diagrams and instructions for creating die-cutting and embossing 'sandwiches'.



Image: A pair of clear Sizzix Standard Cutting Pads, essential for protecting dies and creating pressure during operation.

SETUP

The Sizzix Big Shot Machine requires minimal setup. Simply attach the handle to the machine by aligning it with the designated slot and securing it according to the instructions provided in the packaging. Ensure the machine is placed on a stable, flat surface before operation.

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sizzix Big Shot Machine operates by creating a 'sandwich' of cutting pads, dies, and material, which is then rolled through the machine's rollers to apply pressure for cutting or embossing. Always refer to the diagrams on the Extended Multipurpose Platform for specific 'sandwich' configurations for different die types.

Die-Cutting Thinlits™ and Framelits™ Dies

Thinlits and Framelits are thin, chemically-etched dies designed for cutting intricate shapes from cardstock, paper, vellum, and even wool felt. To use these dies:

1. Start with a Standard Cutting Pad.
2. Place the Thinlits™ or Framelits™ die onto the cutting pad with the cutting side facing up.
3. Place your chosen material (e.g., cardstock, paper) over the die.
4. Place the second Standard Cutting Pad on top to complete the 'sandwich'.
5. Feed the entire 'sandwich' through the Sizzix Big Shot Machine by turning the handle. You will need to use the Thin Die Adaptor (part of the Extended Multipurpose Platform) when cutting Thinlits™ and Framelits™.

Video: Demonstration of how to die-cut Thinlits and Framelits dies using the Sizzix Big Shot Machine. This video illustrates the correct 'sandwich' layering and machine operation for precise cuts.

Die-Cutting Bigz™ Dies

Bigz dies are thicker, steel-rule dies capable of cutting a wider range of materials, including cardboard, chipboard, cork, foil, felt, fabric, and more. To use these dies:

1. Start with a Standard Cutting Pad.
2. Place the Bigz™ die onto the cutting pad with the foam side facing up.
3. Place your chosen material over the die.
4. Place the second Standard Cutting Pad on top to complete the 'sandwich'.
5. Feed the entire 'sandwich' through the Sizzix Big Shot Machine by turning the handle. You will not need to use the Multipurpose Platform when cutting Bigz™ dies.

Video: Demonstration of how to die-cut Bigz dies using the Sizzix Big Shot Machine. This video shows the correct 'sandwich' layering for thicker dies and materials.

Embossing with Textured Impressions™ Embossing Folders

Textured Impressions Embossing Folders add texture and dimension to cardstock and paper. To emboss:

1. Start with a Standard Cutting Pad.
2. Place your cardstock inside the Textured Impressions Embossing Folder.
3. Place the loaded embossing folder onto the cutting pad.
4. Place the second Standard Cutting Pad on top to complete the 'sandwich'.
5. Feed the entire 'sandwich' through the Sizzix Big Shot Machine by turning the handle. Use the standard platform when using Textured Impressions™ Embossing Folders.

Video: Demonstration of how to emboss with Textured Impressions Embossing Folders using the Sizzix Big Shot Machine. This video illustrates the correct 'sandwich' layering for achieving textured designs.

COMPATIBLE MATERIALS AND DIES

The Sizzix Big Shot Machine is designed for broad compatibility within the Sizzix product ecosystem and with certain other brands. It can cut and emboss a variety of materials and is compatible with the following Sizzix die and folder types:

- **Bigz Dies:** Capable of cutting thick materials like chipboard, fabric, foam, magnet, leather, metallic foil, paper, and sandpaper (in limited use).
- **Thinlits Dies:** For intricate cuts on cardstock, paper, vellum, and wool felt.
- **Framelits Dies:** For precise cuts and framing designs on cardstock, paper, vellum, and wool felt.
- **Textured Impressions Embossing Folders:** For adding texture to cardstock and paper.
- **Texture Fades Embossing Folders:** For creating deep, bold embossed textures.
- **Impresslits Embossing Folders:** Combines cutting and embossing in one step.

The machine is compatible with most Sizzix dies and embossing tools, with the exception of Bigz Plus and Bigz Pro dies due to their larger size. Always check machine and accessory requirements for specific compatibility.

Video: An overview of the Sizzix Big Shot Machine, showcasing its capabilities with various die types (Bigz, Thinlits, Framelits, Embossing folders) and a range of materials including cardboard, chipboard, cork, foil, and felt.

MAINTENANCE

To ensure the longevity and optimal performance of your Sizzix Big Shot Machine, follow these simple maintenance guidelines:

- **Cleaning:** Wipe down the machine and cutting pads with a soft, damp cloth after each use to remove any paper dust or debris. Avoid abrasive cleaners.
- **Storage:** Store the machine in a clean, dry place. Keep cutting pads flat to prevent warping.
- **Cutting Pads:** Cutting pads are consumable items and will show wear over time. Rotate them regularly to distribute wear evenly and replace them when they become excessively warped or cut through, as this can affect cutting performance.

TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter issues with your Sizzix Big Shot Machine, consider the following:

- **Incomplete Cuts:** Ensure your 'sandwich' is correctly assembled according to the diagrams on the Multipurpose Platform. The correct combination of cutting pads, dies, and platforms is crucial for adequate pressure. For very intricate dies or thicker materials, you may need to pass the 'sandwich' through the machine multiple times.
- **Difficulty Turning Handle:** If the handle is stiff, check that your 'sandwich' is not too thick for the machine. Remove a layer or adjust the platform settings if necessary.
- **Warped Cutting Pads:** This is normal wear and tear. Rotate your cutting pads frequently and replace them when they no longer provide a flat surface for cutting.

SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Brand	Sizzix
Model Number	660425
Color	White/Gray
Product Dimensions	11.42"D x 15.75"W x 9.45"H (approximately 40 x 29 x 24 cm)
Item Weight	7.5 Pounds (approximately 4.52 Kg)
Material	Solid core steel rollers, unibody cast roller housing, solid steel gears, ABS plastic exterior
Operation Mode	Manual
Active Surface Area	236.64 square inches
Opening Width	6 inches (15.24 cm)
Assembly Required	No (handle attachment required)
Batteries Required	No

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

The Sizzix Big Shot Machine comes with a 1-year limited warranty. You can register your machine on the official Sizzix website for an additional 2 years of warranty coverage, extending your total warranty to 3 years.

For further assistance, technical support, or to inquire about replacement parts, please visit the official Sizzix website or contact their customer service department.

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