

## **Zebra Mat Cutting Instructions**

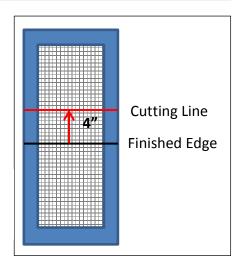
To create a finished edge on Zebra mats that need to be cut, follow these instructions. Please read through all of these instructions regarding the cutting of your Zebra mats before cutting them. We recommend practicing on a scrap piece of mat first. If you have any questions or if you need advice, please contact Zebra at 763-255-1590 or support@zebramats.com.

## **Directions**

- 1. Gather necessary tools: tape measure, T-square (or straight edge), utility knife, putty knife, fast acting spray adhesive (3M<sup>™</sup> Super 77 Spray Adhesive).
- 2. Lay out the Zebra mats according to the installation instructions.
- 3. Measure the length and/or width of the space needed to fit the final mat.
- Using the measurement in step 2, draw a line on the <u>bottom side</u> of the mat. This will be the finished edge of the mat. (refer to black line in example)

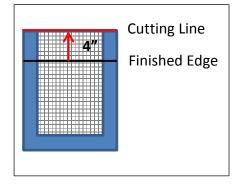
For 2 inch thick mats, draw a second line 4 inches from the finished edge line. This will be the line used to cut the mat. (refer to red line in example)

- If your mats are 1 ½" thick, measure 3 ½" for your cutting line.
- If your mats are 1" thick, measure 3" for your cutting line.
- If your mats are ½" thick, measure 2" for your cutting line.



5. Using the T-square (or straight edge) and a utility knife, make a cut on the cutting line all the way through the mat. Set aside cut piece.

- Use multiple passes with the knife to make the cut.
- Use long, even strokes.
- Practice on a scrap piece of mat first.



Using the T-square (or straight edge) and a utility knife, make a cut along the finished edge line. <u>DO</u>
<u>NOT</u> cut all the way through the mat – only cut about half-way through the foam.

7. Bend the mat along the cut edge.

8. Take the utility knife and LIGHTLY graze through the remaining foam. **DO NOT** cut through the vinyl layer.

9. On one of the cut ends, make a horizontal cut from the cut edge to the finished edge.







10. Grab the cut end and pull the foam away from the vinyl.

11. Take a putty knife and scrape away any loose pieces of foam for a nice, smooth surface.

12. Following the instructions on the fast acting spray adhesive, spray the flap of vinyl and the bottom of the mat where the two pieces will meet.

13. Press firmly and let the bond set.

14. Place the finished edge against the wall for the best look and fit.







