



# How to Use the Paper Bead Crafts Adjustable Length Split Pin Paper Bead Rollers

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The Bead Rollers Sizes are 5/64", 3/32", 1/8", 5/32" and 3/16".

They're numbered 1 through 5 with the number 1 being the smallest of the 5 sizes.

The split pins are adjustable by sliding them in and out of the handle, so you can use whatever length you want whether you are making short or long beads.

These instructions are meant to just get you started with the concept of making paper beads.

You can get more in depth instructions and information on how to make the paper beads by going to our Web Site! <http://www.paperbeadcrafts.com>

## *Materials Needed*

Any Type of Paper

Some sort of paper cutting device

Any Size paper bead roller.

All Purpose Glue

Glaze of some sort



## Rolling Your Beads

1. Cut your strips and get them ready.
2. Get your white glue ready by pouring some onto a disposable palate. You can use a piece of paper or a plastic lid, or whatever you want.
3. Get a toothpick or small craft brush ready to use for applying the glue to the end of the strip when you are about finished rolling the strip.
4. Hold the handle of your bead roller in either your right or left hand. Adjust the length of the winding pin to conform to the wide end of your paper strip, leaving room at the end for a stabilizer bead. Stabilizer beads are needed for the 3 smaller sizes. Insert the wide end of a paper strip into the split pin making sure the side you want on the outside of your bead is facing down or away from you at the opposite end of the end that is in the split pin. Pull the strip of paper so it is just inside the split pin so you can barely see the edge of the paper poking through. I have included a packet of random craft beads to use as stabilizer beads for the 2 smaller sized bead

rollers. Find one with the right sized hole for the roller you are using and insert the tip of your winding pins into the hole. Push the bead up to the edge of the paper. Start winding the pin away from you in a clock wise winding motion or counter clockwise if you are left handed. If you want to, you can pull out or push in the split pins to adjust the length you need for a more comfortable length for placing your fingers on the split pins.

5. Just as you are getting to the end of the strip, use your toothpick to apply the glue to the end of the strip to secure the end in place. With your thumb and forefinger of the hand that is holding the handle, grasp the split pins tight and pull the stabilizer bead then your new finished bead off the pins.
6. Use a pin tool to clean up the inside of the bead. Stick the pin inside the bead and place the beads inside the palm of your hand and roll up and down to open up the center of the hole of the bead to get rid of the little end of paper. You can also reinsert the pins of the paper bead roller back into the bead and twist the roller

around or the bead around the clear the center of the bead of the paper end.

## Glazing Your Beads

You Can Glaze Your beads however you like but I actually glaze them by stringing them onto 50lb fishing line and dipping them into PC-Petrifier, a wood hardener 4 times then one more time in either Vibrance or Fast Finish Decoupage. I hang the strands of beads on a Paper Bead Drying rack I made. You can get the free instructions and the pattern for making the paper bead drying rack on the web site.

Some people brush on their glaze and use toothpicks to hold their beads. They stick the toothpicks into foam packaging or something else to allow the beads to dry. I used to do it this way until I discovered it is faster and more efficient to dip them strung on 50lb fishing line.

Easy Care! Just wipe the handle with a slightly damp cloth. Do not immerse in any liquid. You will damage the inside of the handle. Clean pin with a paper towel as it gets dirty. With proper care, your Paper Bead Rollers should last for years.

For More information and to watch video tutorials, go to: <http://www.paperbeadcrafts.com/>

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