Ceramics Wet or Dry
Posted by pinkfloyd74 - 14 Jan 2013 11:47

Don't know if this has been answered or not. I now have the 12001600 ceramics, and am looking into getting the 1.4.6u ceramics. I have been using the 12001600's dry, do the 1.4.6u ceramics also get used dry? Or should all the ceramics be used wet?

Thanks for your help.

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Re: Ceramics Wet or Dry
Posted by Mikedoh - 14 Jan 2013 12:17

Can be used either way. I think Clay found that wet refined the edge more. Don't soak the ceramics as the stone may fall off the platen. The tape used to hold the ceramic doesn't like water.

I dampen all of my stones to limit metal dust getting into the air.

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Re: Ceramics Wet or Dry
Posted by mark76 - 15 Jan 2013 03:22

+1 to Mike. The edge may be slightly finer when you use the stones a bit wet, but the difference is not large.

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Re: Ceramics Wet or Dry
Posted by leomitch - 15 Jan 2013 05:31

You can use a spritzer bottle to dampen the stones. It can shoot a fine mist that works well without threatening the integrity of the tape holding the ceramic.

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Re: Ceramics Wet or Dry
Posted by mark76 - 15 Jan 2013 06:46

Soaking them is pretty useless anyway, since these stones are so hard and not porous. But a little water may help remove the swarf (metal filings). My girlfriend sometimes wonders nowadays where our plant spritzer has gone

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Re: Ceramics Wet or Dry
Posted by pinkfloyd74 - 15 Jan 2013 15:30

Thanks Guys for the replys, as always everyone is really helpful on this forum.

Thanks

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Re: Ceramics Wet or Dry
Posted by FredHermann - 17 Jan 2013 08:51

Just keep in mind they are not oil stones. My son used my WE on a knife and put oil on the ceramics and diamonds. Needless to say getting it out was a hassle, and the tape likes oil less then it likes water.

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