Clamp Marring blade surface?
Posted by NeverDull - 29 Aug 2011 08:54

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Re: Clamp Marring blade surface?
Posted by dschur - 29 Aug 2011 12:27

I've never seen the wicked edge mar any of my blades, and I don't use any tape. Are you clamping them tight enough that you can lift the whole assembly by the knife handle? is it possible the knife is moving in the clamp on you?

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Re: Clamp Marring blade surface?
Posted by wickededge - 29 Aug 2011 12:42

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Re: Clamp Marring blade surface?
Posted by NeverDull - 29 Aug 2011 13:44

Good suggestion Clay. Yes, I clamp it tight. Kung fu grip tight most of the time. It marred the coating on a cold steel blade and a satin finished Al Mar Hawk. Will keep vigilent and advise. Thanks for a great product and support.

Ed

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Re: Clamp Marring blade surface?
Posted by dschur - 29 Aug 2011 14:09

Ahh, coated blades - That's why I've never marred mine - I have no coated blades.

I do have a bead blasted Lone Wolf Lobo though, I did not get any marring on that with no tape.

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Re: Clamp Marring blade surface?
Posted by CAWalter - 29 Aug 2011 16:03

Put the blue tape on the spine, not the clamp, holds well and no marks.

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Re: Clamp Marring blade surface?
Posted by dongriffith - 05 Sep 2011 13:53

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Thought I'd read through the forums to pre-load my brain so I can be productive with the Pro Pack when it gets here. In the mean time, I use a Lansky which is giving me some experience with clamping.

I use a piece of chamois (synthetic) also. It works much better when I wet it and wring it first. When it dries out clamped in place, it continues to hold well. But not so good when I clamp it dry.

I would not use any kind of plasticized tape. Maybe fabric tape would do. The electrical tape could flow under pressure (called cold flow) and not protect very well. Plus it leaves a notoriously nasty adhesive residue. Spend enough time sharpening... ☺

Fabric and the chamois will compress but are strong enough not to shear and won't flow.

Eagerly awaiting my WEPS. Shhh. Don't tell my wife...

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