



BOW MAKING RECIPE SHEET (METRIC)

This sheet helps you determine what ribbon width (#9 or #40) to use and how many meters of ribbon are required to make a bow of any given size. For the bow size you are making, this sheet also shows you where to set the measuring arms on your bow maker and how many complete turns of the crank handle you'll need to make. (You will hear a click with each complete turn.) The number of turns is dependent upon the number of rolls of ribbon (1, 2, or 3) you are using to make your bow.

Display this Recipe Sheet near your Qualatex MasterBow Maker for quick reference when making bows.

| Bow Size (Diameter) | Recommended Ribbon Width | Meters of Ribbon in Bow | Set Measuring Arms at | # of Turns of Crank Handle |                            |                            |
|---------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
|                     |                          |                         |                       | If Using 1 Roll of Ribbon  | If Using 2 Rolls of Ribbon | If Using 3 Rolls of Ribbon |
| 15 cm               | #9                       | 4                       | 6-6                   | 10                         | 5                          | 4                          |
| 18 cm               | #9                       | 5                       | 7-7                   | 12                         | 6                          | 4                          |
| 20 cm               | #9                       | 7                       | 8-8                   | 14                         | 7                          | 5                          |
| 20 cm               | #40                      | 5                       | 8-8                   | 9                          | 4                          | 3                          |
| 23 cm               | #9                       | 8                       | 9-9                   | 16                         | 8                          | 5                          |
| 23 cm               | #40                      | 6                       | 8-8                   | 10                         | 5                          | 3                          |
| 25 cm               | #9                       | 10                      | 10-10                 | 18                         | 9                          | 6                          |
| 25 cm               | #40                      | 7                       | 10-10                 | 11                         | 5                          | 4                          |
| 28 cm               | #40                      | 8                       | 11-11                 | 12                         | 6                          | 4                          |
| 30 cm               | #40                      | 10                      | 12-12                 | 14                         | 7                          | 5                          |
| 33 cm               | #40                      | 12                      | 13-13                 | 16                         | 8                          | 5                          |
| 36 cm               | #40                      | 14                      | 14-14                 | 18                         | 9                          | 6                          |
| 38 cm               | #40                      | 17                      | 15-15                 | 20                         | 10                         | 7                          |
| 41 cm               | #40                      | 20                      | 16-16                 | 22                         | 11                         | 7                          |

Note:

**Mixing Sizes** – When mixing #9 and #40 ribbon in the same bow, we recommend making the bow no smaller than 8" and no larger than 12".

**Metallic, Lacquered, Crystal, and Iridescent Ribbon** – When using these ribbons by themselves, we suggest reducing the number of turns of the crank handle by one (1) or two (2). These ribbons are very firm and stand up well with fewer loops.

**Wired Edge Ribbon** – When using Qualatex MasterBow wired edge ribbon, we suggest reducing the number of turns of the crank handle by one (1). If using two or more velour wired edge ribbons, reduce the number of turns by two (2).

**Tulle Ribbon** – When using tulle ribbon, add one (1) extra turn of the crank handle.

**Qualatex® BalloonRibbon™** – Allow extra length when tying off the bow for easy fastening.