

Gluing a replacement pad onto a Shubb Capo

Depending on when your capo was made, one of these pads fits it. It should be apparent from looking at the capo, which pad you should be using. When in doubt, we'll send you all three.



Flat, rectangular die-cut pad
All capos prior to 2004



rectangular pad with 2 stems
Standard capos 2005-2012
Deluxe and Lite capos 2005-present



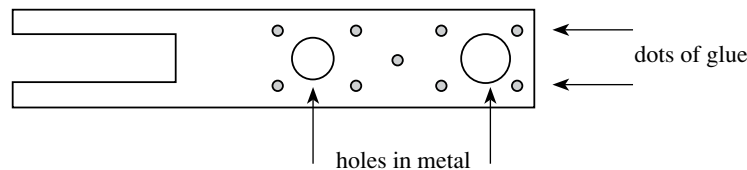
rounded, recessed pad with 1 stem
Standard capos 2013-present

You will need some cyanoacrylate adhesive (super glue, or crazy glue). And it's a good idea to have a paper towel handy.

1. **PRACTICE** placing the pad onto the capo without any glue. (More important with flat pad. When you go to glue it on, you won't be able to adjust its placement, so it's a good idea to practice placing it several times.)
2. **PRACTICE** applying the glue to something you plan to throw away, (A scrap of paper, etc.) It's important that you be able to apply a very small amount of glue. Too much glue won't improve the bond, and it can make a mess.
3. **CLEAN** the part of the capo where the pad will be placed. If there is any residue of the old pad still in place, scrape it off with a sharp knife blade (an Exacto #11 works well.) Clean the metal surface with hot soapy water or rubbing alcohol, and wipe dry.

If you're satisfied that you've practiced enough, have everything ready — pad, glue, and paper towel. Once the glue has been applied to the metal, very little time should be taken before the pad is placed, since the glue's strength will diminish if left exposed to the air for too long.

4. **APPLY GLUE** to the surface of the capo where the pad will be placed (*not* to the pad). Use 8 - 12 tiny dots of glue approximately in the pattern shown in the illustration below. Note that the dots are not right at the edge of the metal, so that glue will not squeeze out and make a mess.



5. **PLACE THE PAD** — without wasting any time — against the metal. Your placement must be decisive; don't move the pad once it has made contact with the metal. This step is much trickier with the flat pad, which is why it is strongly suggested that you practice in advance (step 1, above).
6. **HOLD PARTS TOGETHER** — As soon as it is in place, apply moderate finger pressure evenly along the whole surface of the pad and hold for about ten seconds. Check to be sure that no glue has been squeezed out from under the pad. If any has, remove it with a careful swipe or dab of the paper towel.

How did you do? If the operation was a success, congratulations!

If you are not happy with the job you did, or just don't feel like messing with it, send it to us and we will do it for you.

No charge. All it will cost you is the postage to get it to:

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