

## Notes for Box Design in CorelDRAW:

### 1. Box Type and Dimensions:

- Identify the type of box: rectangular, square, or custom-shaped.
- Take note of the dimensions: length (L), width (W), height (H).
- Add allowances for flaps, folds, and glue tabs.

### 2. Workspace Setup:

- Open CorelDRAW.
- Set the page size to match your material's dimensions or the box's unfolded size (die-line).
- Use guidelines for precision.

### 3. Basic Layout:

- A box typically consists of:
  - **Top Panel:** Matches the base.
  - **Bottom Panel:** Matches the top.
  - **Side Panels:** Equal to the height of the box.
  - **Flaps and Tabs:** Allow for folding and assembly.

### 4. Measurements:

- **Front/Back Panels:** L × H
- **Side Panels:** W × H
- **Top/Bottom Panels:** L × W
- **Glue Tabs:** Typically 10–15 mm wide for adhesion.

### 5. Drawing Steps:

- Use the **Rectangle Tool** to create the panels based on your measurements.
- Arrange the panels in the die-line format (flattened layout).
- Align adjacent panels with the correct edges.
- Add fold lines using **dashed lines** to indicate creases.
- Include allowances for glue tabs on appropriate edges.

### 6. Precision:

- Use the **Ruler** and **Grid** to align elements accurately.
- Enable **Snap to Guidelines** for ease of alignment.
- Use the **Transformation Docker** for resizing and alignment.

### 7. Design Considerations:

- Leave bleed space (3–5 mm) around the design for cutting.
- Add registration marks for printing.
- Ensure fold lines and cut lines are distinguishable (e.g., dashed for fold, solid for cut).

### 8. Export:

- Export the design as a PDF or EPS for printing or cutting.
- Ensure the file includes vector paths for cutters.

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## Example Measurement Diagram

For a box with **L = 100 mm**, **W = 50 mm**, **H = 75 mm**:

**1. Panels:**

- Front/Back Panels: 100 × 75 mm.
- Side Panels: 50 × 75 mm.
- Top/Bottom Panels: 100 × 50 mm.

**2. Glue Tabs:**

- Add 10 mm tabs along one edge of each panel (except the base).

**3. Layout:**

- Arrange panels in a cross-like layout:
  - Middle row: Side panel → Front panel → Side panel → Back panel.
  - Top row: Top panel above the Front panel.
  - Bottom row: Bottom panel below the Front panel.