

# Instructions for a Pacifier Chain With Name

## The handicraft material you need for making a pacifier chain with name:

- 1 pacifier clip
- 1 m cord (PP-polyester)
- motif bead/s
- colourful wooden beads
- optional: 1 safety bead
- letter cubes for the desired name

## The small tools you need:

- needle and thread
- scissors
- lighter
- ruler

## Let's Get Crafty!

### Step 1: Experimenting With Beads

Your chosen **craft material for your pacifier chain** is laying right in front of you? Wonderful! Then let's start with the actual **handicraft work**: Your creativity is in demand! Experiment playfully with the arrangement of the beads. **Exchange** individual beads, try out different colours and shapes – and design your dream pacifier chain bead by bead with lots of fun. A small restriction for your creativity is the **allowed maximum length of 22 cm** for pacifier holders – measured including the loop, but without the clip!

You can hide the knot of the loop easily with a **safety bead**. It has two holes of different sizes so that the knot of the loop can be hidden inside of it. Make sure that the larger hole of the **safety bead** is pointing outward.

## Step 2: Preparing the Stringing

You like your **dummy chain design**? Fantastic! Then let's get ready for stringing. Double the PP-**polyester cord** so that it's slightly longer than your prepared pacifier chain design.

Without using a small gadget the stringing of the beads will not work. So let's use this little trick: Thread a piece of sewing thread into a needle. You need the sewing thread, because otherwise you won't be able to remove the needle from the finished **pacifier chain**.

Knot the sewing thread as **tightly** as possible at the end of the cord's loop – otherwise it could come loose while stringing. You can now easily pass the needle through the beads. The sewing thread will pull the cord right through them.

## Step 3: Stringing the Wooden Beads

We're starting with the stringing on the side where you'll later attach the clip: slide **bead by bead** onto the needle and from there onto the cord. The result: **strung beads**. On one side you can now find a loop to which you can later attach the pacifier. On the other side the two cord strands remain. **Remove** the sewing thread with the needle from the cord.

## Step 4: Knotting the Loop End

**Knot** the loop so that it is still wide enough for your pacifier to be attached to it later. The clip can **help** you: If it fits through the loop, it is big enough. Push the beads towards the knot. If you use a safety bead for your **pacifier chain**, the knot will now disappear in its larger hole.

## Step 5: Preparing the Clip End

Let's attach the clip to the chain: with the two cord ends make a **half knot** on the side of the dummy chain. String the **dummy chain clip** with its metal eyelet and attach it with a **double knot**.

**Just before** the knot, carefully shorten both ends of the PP cord with scissors. Carefully **melt** the cord ends with a lighter and fuse them to the knot by pressing them **together** with your fingers.

It is very important that you secure the knot **properly and conscientiously**. That's the only way it won't come undone!

## Step 6: The Safety Check

Now carry out a brief **visual inspection**: Look whether there are any sharp corners and edges or detachable parts. Check the **length**: Does the dummy chain correspond to the prescribed maximum length of 22 cm?

Check the **tear resistance**: pull the dummy chain with your full force. If you do not manage to break the chain, your child will not manage it either. Take special care that the knot on the clip does not come loose during the **pull test**.

Done! You're now proudly holding your **individual pacifier chain** in your hands. We hope the baby and you will enjoy having it!

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