

# Framelits versus Thinlits – What’s the difference?

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This can be very confusing since both Thinlits and Framelits can be in the same set and the set is labeled as either Framelits or Thinlits.

**Framelits** have a flat metal frame with an open hole in the center which results in a solid die cut shape. There are several types of Framelits. All these Framelits use Sandwich 1.

- 1. Layering Shapes Framelits** allow you to use two or more of the Framelits to stamp and layer.
- 2. Shape Framelits** coordinate with at least one stamp set so you don't have to fussy cut the stamped images. Bundles last 1 catalog, then they are available separately.
- 3. Interactive Framelits.** New this year is the Sliding Star Framelits which make Slider cards.

**Thinlits** have several differences from Framelits. They all have cut lines. Some Thinlits also have score lines. Most Thinlits have release holes on the flat metal to help you get the card stock out. There are several types of Thinlits.

- 1. Regular Thinlits** have shape and some details, but are larger and the card stock comes out fairly easily.
- 2. 3D Thinlits** both cut and score your card stock so you can fold and make a 3 dimensional container, shape, envelope, or bag. You can use any of the basic Platform bases and 2 cutting pads/plates.

Use Sandwich 1.

- 3. Word Thinlits** cut out a single word with a thin line of card stock forming the cursive letters. Use any of the basic Platforms bases and 2 FLAT cutting pads/plates. You can also use the Precision Base Plate with 1 cutting pad/plate. You might also need to use Parchment Paper or Wax Paper between your card stock and the Thinlit to help your card stock come out of the Thinlit die more easily.

Use either Sandwich 1 OR 2 with FLAT cutting pad(s)/plate(s).

- 4. Interactive Thinlits** which make an outside cut and an inside cut. PL Paper Clip Thinlits.

Use Sandwich 1.

- 5. Detailed Thinlits** cut fine lines with intricate designs and give the best results when used with the Precision Base Plate.

Use Sandwich 2.

## Basic Platforms-Choose 1:

Multipurpose Platform with all tabs closed.

NEW Big Shot Platform with both pieces

Magnetic Platform

## Sandwich 1:

Choose a basic Platform:

Put a Standard Cutting Pad on top of your Platform.

Add your card stock.

Add your Framelit or Thinlit.

Add your top cutting pad.

Slightly push your sandwich forward through your Big Shot to get it started, and then crank your handle until the whole sandwich comes out.

Remove your die cut and put away your Framelit or Thinlit.

## Sandwich 2

Choose a Basic Platform

Add the Precision Base Plate

Card Stock

(optional Parchment or Wax Paper from your grocery store

Thinlit

FLAT top Cutting pad/plate

Slightly push your sandwich forward through your Big Shot to get it started, and then crank your handle until the whole sandwich comes out. If desired, crank through the other way for better cutting results. The more detailed Thinlits need this second time through to cut all the details.

Use Big Shot Die Brush to remove the excess small card stock pieces from you die cut image. You can also use a toothpick, a bone folder, or a paper piercing tool to help you remove the small excess card stock pieces.

# 2016-2017 Stampin' Up Catalog Framelits & Thinlits Chart

F=Framelits

T=Thinlits

\*=Sandwich 1: Basic Platform, bottom cutting pad, card stock, Framelit or Thinlit, top cutting pad

\*\*=Sandwich 2: Basic Platform, Precision Base Plate, card stock, Optional Parchment or Wax Paper, Thinlit, FLAT cutting pad

\*\*\*=Sandwich 1 OR 2

**Framelit OR  
Thinlit**

	<b>Framelits</b>		<b>Thinlits</b>				
	<b>Layering*</b>	<b>Shape*</b>	<b>Regular***</b>	<b>3D*</b>	<b>Word***</b>	<b>Detailed**</b>	<b>Interactive*</b>
Baby's First F		Yes					
Baker's Box T		Yes		Yes			
Balloon F		Yes					
Banners F	Yes						
Bear Hugs F		Yes					
Birds & Blooms T		Yes				Yes	
Bloomin' Heart T						Yes	
Bold Butterfly F		Yes				Yes	
Botanical Builder F		Yes	Yes			Yes	Yes
Bunch of Banners F		Yes					
Butterflies T		Yes				Yes	
Christmas Greetings T					Yes		
Cupcake Cutouts F		Yes			Yes		
Curvy Keepsake Box T		Yes		Yes			
Cutie Pie T		Yes		Yes			
Delicate Ornaments T		Yes				Yes	
Detailed Floral T						Yes	
Everyday Jars F		Yes				Yes?	
Fiesta Time F		Yes	Yes				
Flourish T						Yes	
Flower Fair F		Yes					
Gift Card T		Yes		Yes			
Hearth & Home T		Yes	Yes				
Hello You T					Yes		
Large Letters F		Yes					
Large Numbers F		Yes					
Layering Circles F	Yes						
Layering Ovals F	Yes						
Layering Squares F	Yes						
Leaflets F		Yes					
Lots of Labels F	Yes						
May Flowers F		Yes				Yes	
Mini Treat Bag T		Yes		Yes	Yes		
Outdoor Adventure F		Yes	Yes?			Yes?	
Party Pop Up T						Yes	
PL Paper Clips T		Yes					Yes
Perfect Pines F		Yes					
Popcorn Box T		Yes		Yes			
PL Cards & Lables F		Yes					
Pyramid Pals T		Yes		Yes			
Rose Garden T		Yes	Yes			Yes	
Sliding Star F		Yes	Yes				
Snow Friends F		Yes					
Star F	Yes						
Sunburst T			Yes				
Sunshine Wishes T					Yes	Yes	
Sweet & Sassy F	Yes						
Swirly Scribbles T						Yes	
Tags & Labels F	Yes						
Umbrella Weather F		Yes	Yes				
Wish Big F		Yes					
Wonderful Wreath F		Yes			Yes		
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