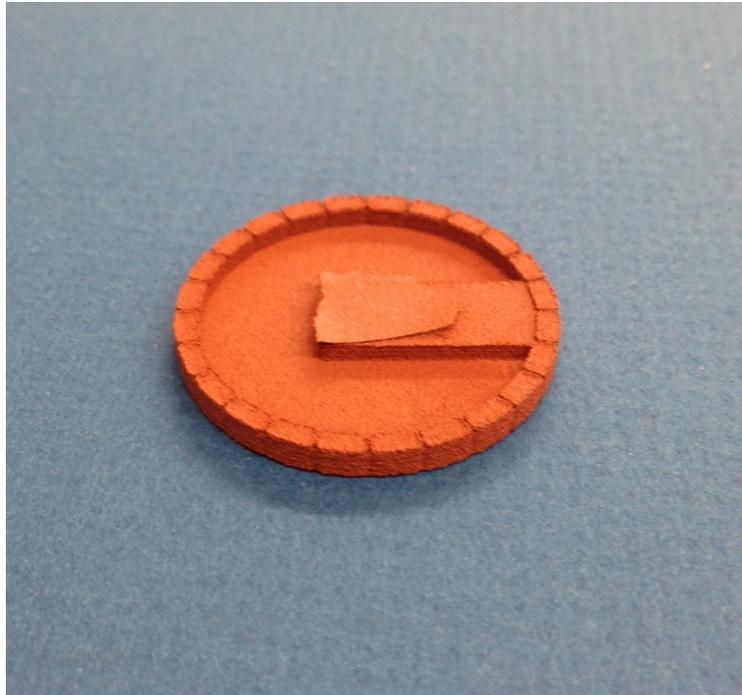


How to finish a Flag Pole & Planter



- Cover the small hole on the planter with a small piece of painter's tape. (you don't want to clog this hole as you will mount the flag pole into it later.) Paint the whole planter with a plastic bonding paint with a color of your choice. I use terracotta for a red brick look.



- Paint the flag pole silver or aluminum. Let dry and then paint the finial (the ball on top of the pole) gold.

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- Remove the tape and brush-paint the walkway a concrete color. (Avoid clogging the hole.)



- Paint the inside bottom of the planter with a grass green acrylic paint.

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- Apply a generous layer of scenic cement over the inside bottom of the planter and sprinkle fine grass turf over the wet cement. (I use Woodland Scenics fine green turf # T-1345.)



- Loop white thread around the truck (upper stud on the pole) and the cleat (the lower stud on the pole) and glue at each end. This will be the halyard line.

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- Print this page on photo paper. Cut out a flag and fold it back to back like a book to make a 2-sided flag.



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- Coat one half of the inside of the flag with thin coat white glue and wrap the flag around the halyard line (thread). Press the flag together back to back up against the truck and hold it together until reasonably dry.



- Add glue to the base of the pole and Insert the base of the pole into the hole in the planter's walkway.