

MMY Adjust-O-Scale

The MMY Adjust-O-Scale is a handy, but simple measuring device that is used for scaling a drawing that is not at a common scale. If you receive an electronic copy of a drawing such as a pdf and are unable to print it to scale, this tool can be adjusted to match it. It also works great for old blueline drawings that have been copied several times. Just be sure to check dimensions in both directions as the old machines were known to stretch drawings in one direction.

Print the Adjust-O-Scale (page 2 of this pdf) and either fold the scale where you need to, or tape it edge to edge to form a tube and slide it over a piece of wood or other material (see photo). Be sure to print it with Paper Scaling set to "None."

To set the scale you need a reference distance, something on the drawing that is dimensioned or of known size, such as a door. Slide the Adjust-O-Scale until the scale matches the dimension or object. Then you can scale to your heart's content. Note: this should only be used on sketches and old drawings, not out in the field on a set of structural plans.

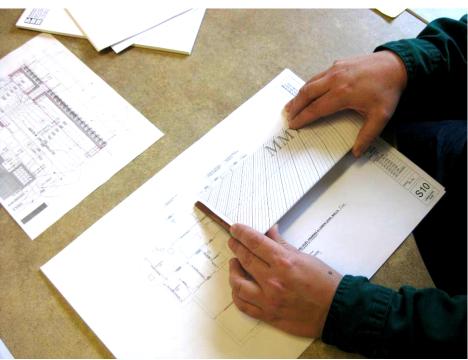


Figure 1 - MMY Adjust-O-Scale in use!

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