

Common Types of Paper

Paper	Description
acid-free paper	paper containing no-free acids, thus providing greater permanence and durability
albumen paper	a photographic printing-out paper widely used from about 1850-1890.
asbestos paper	a thin, flexible fireproof paper containing felted asbestos fibers
bank-note paper	pure linen paper embedded with silk threads
blotting paper	fine, soft, highly absorbent paper made without any sizing
blueprint paper	a photographic reproduction paper that, when developed, appears blue with white lines
bond paper	a strong, smooth surface, high quality paper prepared for writing or printing
Bristol board	a stiff, glazed white cardboard made by gluing heavy sheets together then compressing with hydraulic presses
carbon paper	duplication paper prepared with thin, waxy layer of lampblack or carbon
copy paper	a good-quality, smooth, uniform, white paper with good reflectivity made for use in photocopy machines.
glassine	a thin, semi-transparent, shiny paper that is strong but flexible.
glazed paper	paper with shiny surface prepared by adding wax then calendaring
Japanese vellum	a thick, ivory-colored paper made from inside of bark of a tree in Japan
kraft paper	a strong, coarse paper made from unbleached sulfate pulp.
ledger paper	a strong foldable paper made with rags and sized with glue
papier mâché	a molded or shape form made from paper pieces mixed with glue, chalk or clay
safety paper	paper used for checks that contains dyes, chemicals or engraving to prevent erasures
sandpaper	heavy paper with thin layer of abrasive adhered to one side
silicone release paper	a paper impregnated with a small amount of silicone, such as polydimethylsiloxane
tar paper	a heavy waterproof building paper made by soaking paper in a tar solution
tissue paper	thin, fine texture, semi-transparent paper
tracing paper	thin, transparent or translucent sheets manufacture for tracing original drawings
vegetable parchment	translucent paper made simulate the appearance and texture of animal parchment
wallpaper	decorative paper prepared with printed or embossed design
waterproof paper	made by soaking paper in borax-shellac solution then coating it with wax