

Water Globe Instructions:

Attaching Figurine to Gasket:

Glue any suitable Waterproof object (Fig. 1) to top of rubber gasket with Silicone Adhesive which is both flexible and water resistant. Set aside until adhesive has thoroughly dried.

If you want to add SNOW or other Drifting Bits to your project first wash them in plain water, using a fine mesh strainer to remove any dust or chards. Next, wrap material in a piece of cloth & soak overnight in water to make the bits settle properly.

Inserting Gasket Into Globe:

We suggest you assemble your Water Globe DRY, adding water at END of assembly. Turn glass Water Globe upside down and support with a cushion of sand, bubble wrap, shredded paper or other suitable material to help prevent accidental breakage when assembling.

ADD pre-soaked SNOW or other Drifting Bits to DRY globe at this time. Now insert your decorated gasket carefully into DRY globe.

IMPORTANT: The raised edge of the gasket (Fig. 2) **MUST** fit into the groove in the neck of the globe. When properly inserted the gasket should be **FLUSH** with bottom edge of the globe (Fig. 3).

Note: The gasket is designed to fit tightly to prevent water leakage. Do **NOT** press down hard when trying to install the gasket as you may break the glass globe. Work gasket into glass groove by pressing the edge in and down. Proceed slowly around the edge, seating the gasket a little at a time until it has been properly seated in groove all the way around. (Hint: You may find the gasket easier to insert if you put it in your freezer a short time until it is good and cold but **NOT** frozen. The cold will shrink the gasket very slightly, making installation easier. The gasket will expand to normal size as soon as it reaches room temperature.)

Filling Globe:

Next, add **DISTILLED** water by pulling a small edge of the gasket away from the neck of the globe. To eliminate any air pockets, fill globe with water to overflowing. A few drops of rubbing alcohol added to the water will help to keep bacteria from forming. You may also add a little glycerin to the water to help the bits drift more slowly through the water. (About 1 teaspoon for a 4" globe.) Once the globe is filled reseal the edge of the gasket into the groove in the neck of the globe.

Note: Don't be discouraged if some Drifting Bits won't settle to the bottom. It may take several days.

Please Note: Air bubbles will often occur no matter how much the globe is filled. Even some large manufacturers don't guarantee their finished globes to be bubble free. To minimize this problem we suggest that after filling your globe, you let it stand for awhile. If bubbles occur you can then pry an edge of the gasket back and refill with additional water. Let any excess water dry completely from around the edge of the globe and gasket. Only then seal the edge where the globe and gasket are joined with Silicone Adhesive. Once adhesive is dry secure the globe to its base with silicone adhesive or E-6000 Adhesive.

Instructions courtesy of National Artcraft.



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