

Tool Box



Seldom do I go onto a job I don't see a toolbox some carpenter has made.

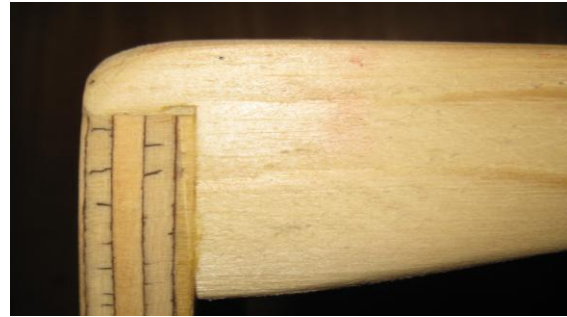
Usually it's 5 pieces of scrap plywood nailed together and a piece of emt (conduit) for a handle, but not always.

Just like the sawhorses I build, your toolbox shows people a lot about you and the pride you have or don't have about your job and craftsmanship.

First thing you look at when you see a tool box is the handle. I try to install a nice handle when I build a tool box.



This handle is $1\frac{3}{4} \times 1\frac{3}{4}$ at each end and then I sawed an arc in it on the bottom and on both sides of the top.



I sawed a rabbit into the end of the handle and it covered the top of the plywood end of the box, adds strength to the joint also.



I have almost everything I need in this box. I don't get to wear my bags over here in Iraq so I carry this box to the jobs.

This article is to show you how to build a nice handle for a box and also shows you I take pride in my tools, as all carpenters should.

My son, Jordan, and I built a box identical to this when he was 5 years old, takes patience to let a 5 year old drive a 4p box nail, but we did it together, and he drove all the nails. I am sure his son will use it someday and then his grandson will also.

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