

PSLTC Markings

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Distinctive Markings

When multiple people assemble a Lego train layout or other collaborative Lego display there will be fungible elements that could have come from multiple contributors. Common examples include basic baseplates and track, as well as assemblies such as hills or ballasted track built to a common standard or stock or lightly-modified sets. Most such fungible elements need to be distinctively marked so their owners can be easily identified. In some cases strict zone or part control may suffice---saying that one person is responsible for bringing all minifigures not attached to a structure, for instance---but for many elements this will not work; there will inevitably be need of a baseplate or curved track far from its owner's "zone", or rolling stock will see use and end up on a mainline or siding that was not where it started. To avoid problems at teardown, such elements must have markings.

The most easy-to-understand marking scheme is with labels with personally identifying text, such as address labels or name labels from a label maker, applied to a hidden or discreet



location. The former are often available for free and provide a plethora of information; the latter can

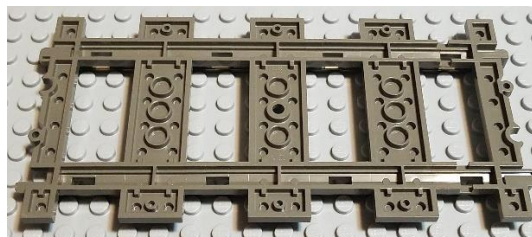


stick ruggedly to baseplates for years and then come off cleanly.

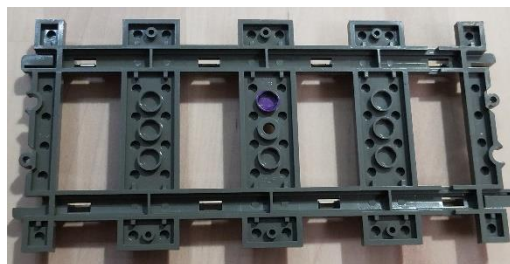
Sometimes markings come into use which do not immediately identify the owner to outsiders; such markings used by PSLTC members are below.

Non-Obvious Markings in Use

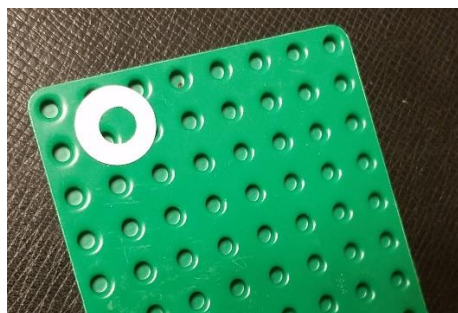
Club – no marking



Thomas Garrison – purple nail polish



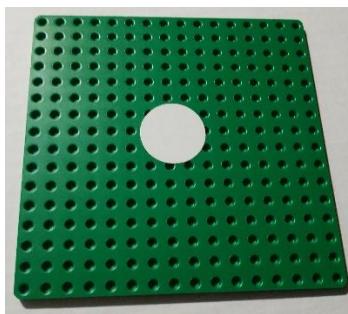
Dan Parker – hollow white circles
(hole reinforcement stickers)



Thomas Rafert – metallic star stickers



Derek Schin – solid white circles



John Sherman – lime green nail polish

