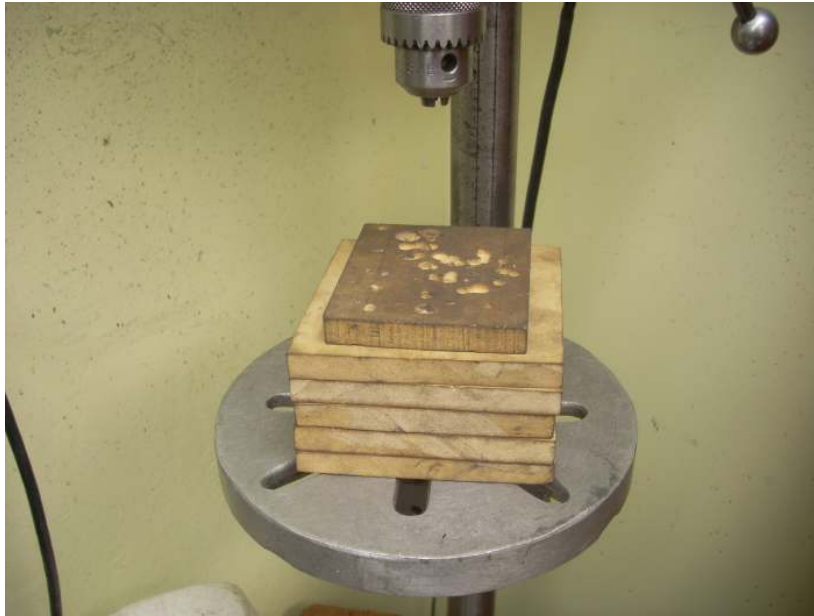


# A Stack of Wood on My Drillpress

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I'm sure we all have a stack of random scraps of wood that we use to quickly change the height of our work surface on our drill press. About 6 months ago I replaced that mess with a pile of identical squares of 1/2" MDF. After drilling countless holes, I have come to appreciate this minor change. The surface does not rock, can be raised in 1/2" steps, and

does not slide around. The only maintenance it needs is to brush off the swarf.

As you see here, I also have a smaller piece of sacrificial MDF that will get tossed when it is all chewed up. Also note that the squares are small enough to give me access to the slots which I use to clamp parts down before drilling.

I welcome your comments and questions.

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