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Dry Mounting

Objects can be dry mounted by either the heat mounting or cold mounting methods. Remember that items mounted by either method are not reversible. For this reason, dry or heat mounting should be of little interest to the philatelist or postal historian. Beyond that, a word of advice: Don't ever think of doing heat mounting unless you have a dry mounting press.

Most reputable picture framers can satisfactorily do dry mounting by heat. Cold mounting can be done by using 3M's Positional Mounting Adhesive. Cold mounting is also not recommended for postal historians or philatelists.