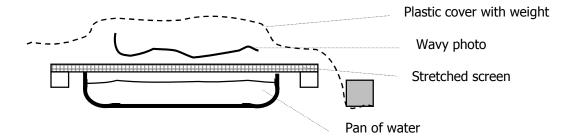
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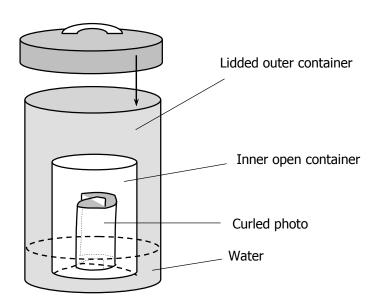
## HORIZONTAL (FLAT)

Using a humidifier will begin to relax the base paper, allowing for gentle waves to be flattened. A developing tray much larger than the photo to be flattened should be filled with warm water and covered with a sheet of clean fiberglass screening across the top. The screen may either be stretched to a strainer or weighted to hold the edges down if temporary. Lay the print on the screen, cover with a sheet of plastic, and weight edges to seal in the moisture. After the moisture has been allowed to penetrate the photo paper place between blotters and weight to dry for 24 hours.



## VERTICAL (ROLLED)

Tightly rolled prints require more time to absorb and relax the paper base. Place a small open top plastic container or wastebasket into the bottom of a larger plastic container with 2-3 inches of warm water in the bottom. Place the rolled photo into the smaller dry container, close the outer lid and let the photo paper absorb moisture a couple of days. When soft and limp enough, unroll, flatten, and dry between blotters under an even flat weight.



There is far more information from Chris Paschke on all types of mounting and creative applications in: *The Mounting And Laminating Handbook, Third Edition, 2008*,

The Mounting and Laminating Handbook, Second Edition, 2002,

Creative Mounting, Wrapping and Laminating, 1999.

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