The 'Kodak' Amateur Flashlight Outfit

Instructions for use

To Fit up the Flashlamp.—Empty the tin. Place the tray on top of the tin so that the projections on the bottom of the tray are insice the tin. Turn the tray so that these projections engage with the groover just below the top of the tin and so hold the tray tightly on it. Press the taper or mach on to the spike in the notch at the front of the tray so that the portion inside the tray is about half an inch in length. The illustration shows the Flashlamp ready for use.



To prepare the powder for use.—Empty the contents of both portions of the glass tube on to a sheet of smooth paper (such as writing paper) and mix well with the aid of a bone or wooden paper knife. Return all the powder, when mixed, to the large section of the tube

To use the Lamp.—Place the requisite amount of flashpowder in the circle in the shallow end of the tray, furthest away from the asy et unlighted taper (or match). When all is ready for the exposure and not before, the taper (or match) is lighted, the shutter of the camera opened and the lamp tilted gently forward. The powder slips down the tray and is ignited instantaneously. Care should be exercised not to jerk the lamp forward but to tip it over steadily. After the flash, extinguish the taper or match, and close the shutter of the camera. The lamp should be cleaned immediately.

The diagram shows how the lamp is held just before a picture is taken and the dotted outline shows how far to tilt the lamp when the flash is made.

Note.—A new taper should be burnt a little before it is put into the lamp, to ensure easy lighting.

Quantity of powder to use.—For Portraits or average pictures indoors, use enough powder to cover the embossed circle without piling up. Small groups or larger pictures indoors need rather more powder—say as much as can be heaped on to a sixpence, but not more.

Where to hold the Flashlamp.—The lamp should be held just behind the camera either to the left or right, and at least two feet above the lens. Provided the shutter is only opened just before you make the flash and the lights in the room are excluded from the picture, it is not necessary to extinguish them, unless they are very bright.

The 'Kodak' Amateur Flashpowder is specially prepared for use with this 'Kodak' Amateur Flashlight Outfit, but if used in other flashlamps and in larger quantities the powder must NOT be placed in a heap but spread out in a long train. It must not be used in apparatus intended for magnesium only. It is not advisable to use other makers' flashpowder in this lamp.

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