DYLON Cold Water Dye is perfect for crafts such as Tie-dyeing and batik. It’s easy and convenient to use both in the classroom and at home.

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• Suitable fabrics: cotton, linen, viscose. Lighter shades on polyester/cotton mixes because polyester and other pure synthetics DO NOT pick up dye. Lighter results on wool and silk.
• 5g of powder will dye up to 250g / 8oz dry weight fabric (125g / 4oz for A52 Black).

You will need:

• Cold Dye Fix
• 125g / 4oz of salt
• Rubber gloves
• Flat bottomed bowl

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2. Fill a flat bottomed bowl with enough cold water to cover article (do not use a bath or sink unless stainless steel, as it may stain).
3. Wearing rubber gloves, dissolve dye in 500ml/1 pint hottest tap water. Stir well and add to bowl.
4. Dissolve 125g/4oz salt and 1 sachet Cold Fix in hottest tap water, add to bowl. (For Black, use 250g/8oz salt and double the of Cold Fix).
5. Put in unfolded damp article. Dye for 1 hour (3 hours for Black). Agitate continually for first 10 minutes, then occasionally after that, keeping fabric submerged.
6. Rinse in cold water until water runs clear, then wash in hot water with usual washing detergent.
7. Dry away from direct heat and sunlight. Wash article separately for the first few washes to remove excess dye.

Special Instructions for Wool:

• Hottest tap water must be used instead of cold in the dye bowl.
• Use 375ml / 13fl.oz of vinegar instead of salt and cold fix.
• Use warm water to rinse and wash after dyeing.

How to use Cold Water Dye on Wood:

1. Rub down to bare wood, removing previous coatings. Wipe clean with white spirit. Allow to dry.
2. Wearing rubber gloves, dissolve dye in 500ml/1 pint of warm tap water.
3. Apply dye evenly using a brush, sponge or cloth working in the direction of the grain. Allow to dry.
4. For darker shades apply further coats of dye, allow drying thoroughly between coats.
5. Apply any clear wood varnish to seal the colour.

How to use DYLAN Cold Water Dye in the Microwave:

• DYLAN Cold Water Dye can be used in the microwave to create special effects such as tie-dye.
• For cotton, linen, silk and polyester/cotton mixes only. Microwave dyeing is not suitable for wool, viscose or synthetic fabrics.
• DO NOT USE ON VISCOSE AS FABRIC CAN GIVE OFF HARMFUL FUMES.
• Remove all metal from fabric (zips, studs, etc.)

1. Wash the fabric and leave damp.
2. Tie fabric if you wish to create a tie-dyed effect.
3. Wearing rubber gloves, pierce tin with a knife. Empty dye carefully into the bowl along with 25g of DYLON Cold Dye Fix and 60g (2oz) of salt and gradually add 250ml/½ pint of warm water. Stir thoroughly to ensure the dye is dissolved. Add a further 250ml/½ pint of warm water.
4. Place the fabric into the bowl and work into the dye.
5. Put the bowl into a plastic bag or wrap and place into the microwave. Set on ‘high’ for 4 minutes.
6. After 4 minutes remove the bowl from the oven – remember to protect your hands from the heat.
7. Tip away the dye solution and rinse the fabric in cold water. If fabric was tied, do not remove ties until water runs clear. Rinse, wash and dry away from direct heat and sunlight.