



How to Restore a Bent Chopstick

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INTRODUCTION

There are times when chopsticks become deformed over time, losing their shape through the time of their use. This guide is meant to straighten out whatever curves have formed in the chopstick.



TOOLS:

- [Salt](#) (1)
 - [Large Pan](#) (1)
 - [Nitrile Gloves 100 Box](#) (1)
 - [Small Dishes](#) (1)
 - [Tongs](#) (1)
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Step 1 — How to Restore a Bent Chopstick



- Using a deep pan, fill the bottom with water.
 - Set the heat to medium/low until the water begins to simmer, then bring the flame to low.
- ⓘ Do not bring the water to a boil.

Step 2



- Add salt into the pan, incorporating enough salt until the water is saturated. Mix until the salt dissolves.
- ⓘ The chopstick is made of a more firm plastic, so salt is necessary because the properties interact with one another to soften the plastic.

Step 3



- Put on gloves to protect your hands from the heat, then gently add two dishes into the pan.

⚠ Ensure that the bowls will be able to tolerate the heat. The dishes are to help level the chopstick if your pan is not large enough to have the chopstick lie flat on the surface.

Step 4



- Insert chopstick on top of the bowls. Make sure that the curve is facing upward.

⚠ When readjusting the chopstick, be sure to use tongs or other tools so you don't burn your fingers.

Step 5



- Carefully take out the chopstick and gently temper by hand.

⚠ Be mindful of the heat when adjusting.

⚠ Be mindful of the strength you put into the chopstick. It may break if applying too much force.

Step 6



- Repeat Step 4 and 5 until you attain the desired results.

To reshape the chopstick, follow these instructions until it has straightened to satisfaction.