Outlined Lettering

Enter the Lettering

- Open New Blank Design.
- Switch to Artwork Canvas.
- Select Vector Lettering.
- In the drop-down selections, select a thick font.
- The sample used Bauhaus.
- Place a check mark by Artistic Text.
- Click OK.
- Type Joy on the screen.

Editing the Lettering

- Select the Pick tool.
- Using a corner control handle, increase the size of the lettering to about 2” tall.
- With the letters selected, click on No Color to delete the fill and right click on a color chip to add an outline.
- Click on Convert Artwork to Embroidery.
- Switch to Metric for the Measurement System.

Adding the Outlines

- Select M on the keyboard to activate the measuring tool.
- Measure the thickness of the letter.
- Press Esc twice to deactivate the measuring tool.
- Drag a bounding box around the letters.
- Change the stitch type to Triple.
- Click on Outlines and Offsets in the Edit Toolbox. See suggestion in Notes for calculating the values.
  - Place a check mark by Offset Outlines.
  - Uncheck Object Outlines.
  - Change the Offset to -2 mm.
  - Change the Count to 4.
  - Change the type to Triple.
  - Choose the desired method for Corner.
  - Choose a matching color.
  - Press OK.

- You may select Undo and repeat the steps to change any of the values.
- After generating the outlines, individual outlines can be reshaped or deleted to create your lettering.
- Select File> Save As and call this Outlined Lettering.

NOTES:

Divide the thickness of the letters by the Offset you choose. Then divide that number by two since there are two sides to each letter. This will give you a starting point for the Count to enter.

There will be tie-ins and tie-offs in this type of lettering.