

# Cream Cheese Cookies

1 cup Crisco shortening

4 ounces cream cheese, softened

1/2 cup sugar

1 tsp vanilla extract

2 cups sifted flour

food coloring, egg, colored sugar, decorative candies for decorating if desired

Preheat oven to 375 degrees.

Cream together shortening and cream cheese; add sugar and cream well. Blend in flour.

If desired, tint dough with food coloring.

Fill cookie press\* and press into desired shapes onto ungreased cookie sheets.

\*Use star tip for wreath cookies.

If desired, brush with beaten egg and sprinkle with sugar or decorative candies.

Bake for 8 - 10 minutes.

Cool 1 - 2 minutes on cookie sheet; carefully move to wire racks to cool completely.

Store in an airtight container.