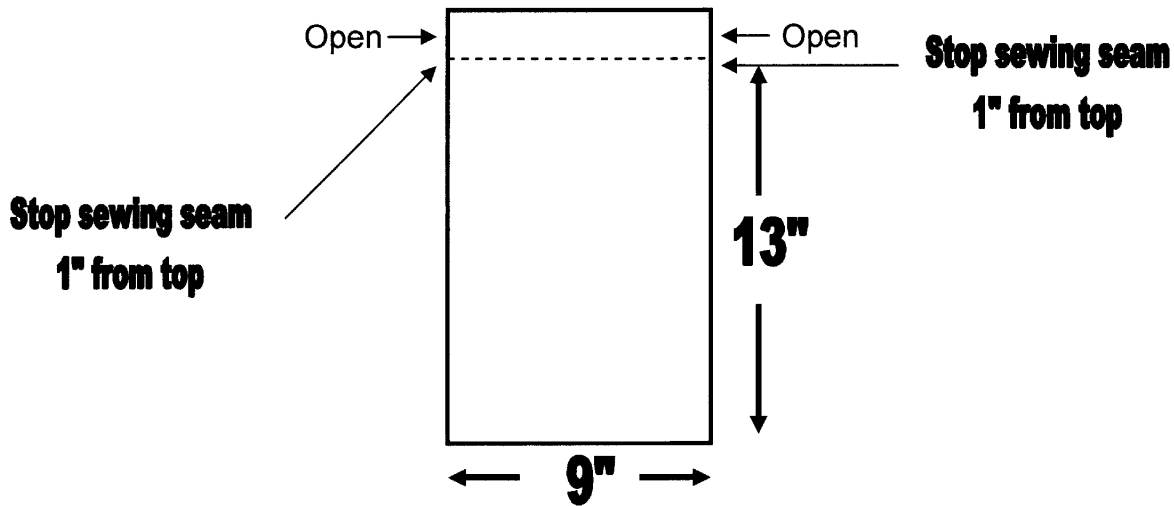


DITTY BAGS

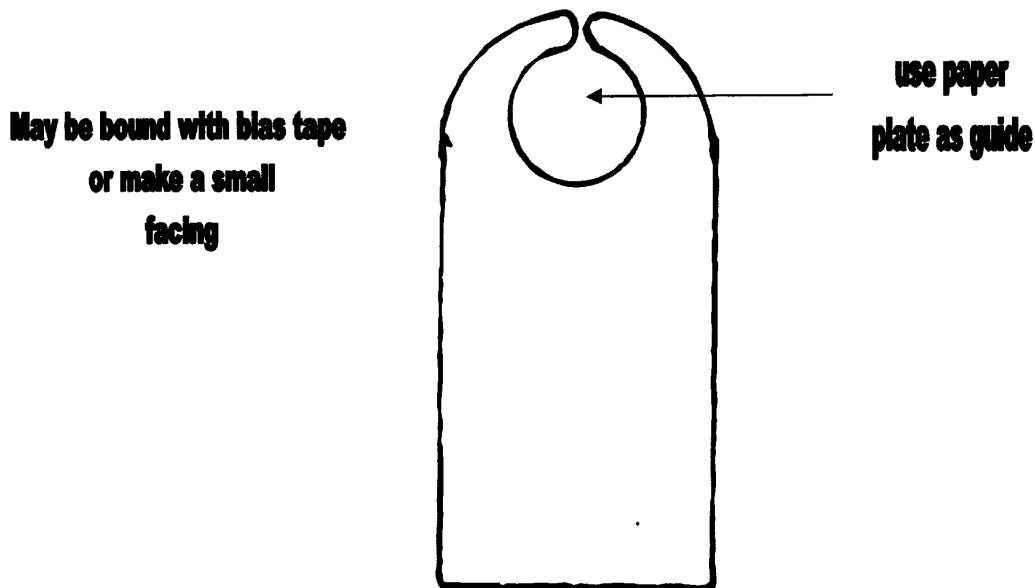
These bags can be made from any type of cloth material. Finished size should be 9"X13". One 9" end should be left open with a 1" hem (open at both sides to allow for insertion of drawstring). (We will insert the drawstring.) The ditty bags are filled with toiletries, stationary, etc., by the American Legion Auxiliary and distributed to patients upon admission to the Medical Center. Ditty bags are in constant demand.

Note: I cut mine at 9 1/2 x 15 1/2 (on the fold).



TOWEL BIBS

Bibs are mostly for geriatric patients who have difficulty eating to help keep them neat and clean. They must be made from terry cloth or towels, and should long enough to cover the patient's lap. Cut out a circle at one end for the neck. Turn approximately 5/8" of edge of circle (neckline) under once, and stitch several times (or zigzag) to reinforce against fraying. Attach Velcro tabs to ends of neckline.



WHEELCHAIR BAG

Note: These wheelchair bags will be used by patients to carry their records and other items on the back of their wheelchairs when traveling from building to building. A strong heavy material such as denim, canvas, etc. should be used. However, if using thinner material, reinforcing the material by doubling it is suggested. Only "one-large pocket" bags are needed versus the two pockets used in the past.

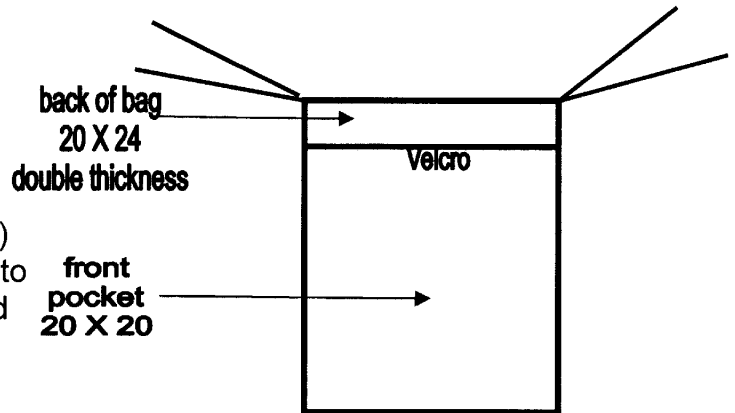
1. CUT:

Back of bag (2 pieces of heavy fabric)
24 ½ X 20 ½ inches

Front of bag (1 piece of heavy fabric)
20 ½ X 20 ½ inches

Ties (twill tape or other sturdy material)
2 pieces no less than 18 inches each (to allow for easier fastening, longer would be better)

Velcro strip at least 5 inches



2. SEW POCKET:

Finish top edge of pocket (serge or turn ½"; turn under again ½")

Sew (at sides and bottom) wrong side of pocket to one of the right back pieces. Use ¼" seam allowance.

3. SEW BAG:

Pin right side of back piece to the right side of the back piece (that now has the approximately 20" X 19" pocket attached).

Leaving an opening to turn inside out (bottom or top), use 3/8" seam. Stitch around the bag on all four sides.

Trim corners. Turn and press. Sew close opening (hand, machine, adhesive web, etc.).

4. FINISH BAG:

Optional: Topstitch around bag.

Sew ties to the upper edge of the back. Reinforce several times.

Sew Velcro to the inside of the back and inside of the pocket top.