

Handmade Facemask

with top-open pocket to insert filter

This is a variation on the directions from Xobon Magazine
– video directions here: <https://youtu.be/tDt02kUpP9Q>

The only change from the video:

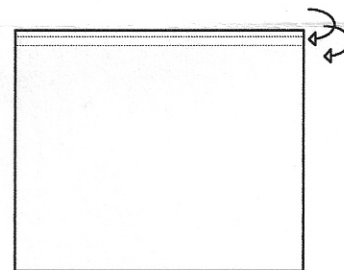
The directions below instruct you to use different main and lining fabric.
Some hospitals prefer to have the “INSIDE” and “OUTSIDE” be distinctly different.

You'll need:

- 8"x9" rectangle 100% Cotton Fabric (Main Fabric)
- 8"x9" rectangle 100% Cotton Flannel (Lining)
- 1/8" Elastic, oval, or flat, cut into 2 pieces, 7" long each

Directions:

1) Main Fabric: Press ¼" seam to wrong side of fabric, folding the seam twice (so that raw edge is enclosed in the seam), then sew. Repeat on all four edges of main fabric. *If you have a pipe cleaner or wire to insert to shape the nose, choose one long-edge seam as the “top” and sew the wire into that seam.

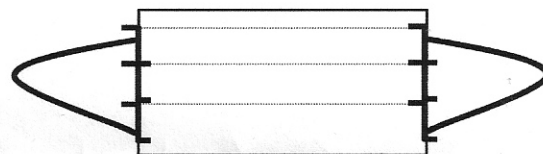


2) Repeat step 1 with your lining fabric. You still have two separate rectangles, but each is finished on all four edges, with no cut fabric showing.

3) With wrong sides facing, (*and wire at “top”) pin main fabric to lining, making sure all edges are neatly aligned.

4) Pin three horizontal pleats.

5) Pin elastic into side seams to form two ear loops. (Note: If you don't have any elastic, you can make self-fabric ties.)



6) Sew main fabric to lining, securing the pleats as you go. You are only sewing three sides: Left, bottom, and right. Leave the top seam open to insert filter.

- Note: For this last step, you will be sewing through many layers of fabric. Take your time, and make sure to catch all layers neatly. Also, back-stitch over the elastic at all four points where it joins the mask, to be certain it has been caught securely.