

# NO RAW EDGES

## cross body strap

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## PREPARATION

A) To make a **Cross Body Strap** cut :

- two 3" x 25" of exterior fabric
- one 3" x 46 1/2" of medium weight fusible interfacing.

You will need also:

- two 3/4" swivel hook .

**Note** : If you don't have this size of hardware just cut the width of the fabric and interfacing 4x the width or your hardware. Depending on your height you might have to adjust the length of the cross body strap accordingly, make sure you cut the interfacing always 1/2" shorter than the fabric

B) Trace with an erasable marking pen and cut the fabric pieces and interfacing.

## SEWING

A) Lay the ends of both strap pieces so they overlap, RS together, at a right angle.

Draw a diagonal line from one corner to the other. Sew on that line. Fig. 1.

Cut off the outside triangle, leaving about 3/8" of fabric. Fig.2.

Press the SA open. Fig. 3.

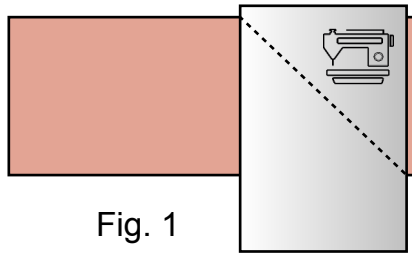


Fig. 1

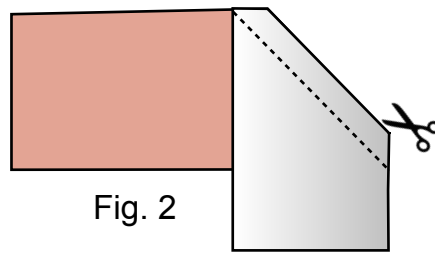


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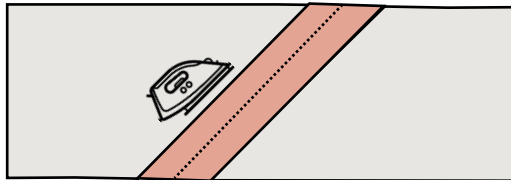


Fig. 3

Apply the fusible interfacing over the pieced fabrics (this helps make the pieced strap stronger), centered, there should be 1/4" without interfacing on each short edge.

B) Fold the strap fabric in half joining the 2 long raw edges with WS together.

C) Press to create a crease then open. Fold each edge towards center crease and press. Fold in half and press again. Fig. 4.

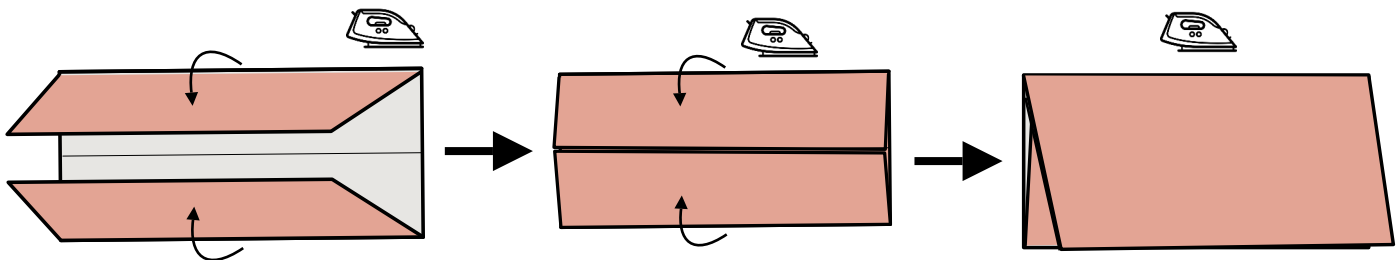


Fig. 4

D) Unfold completely and join one end of the strap with RS together. Fig. 5. Pin. Starting from the raw edge side, at a bit over 1/4" distance from the raw edge, sew with 1/4" SA. Fig. 6.

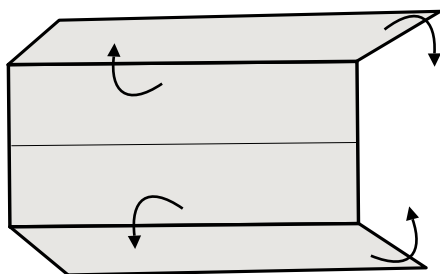


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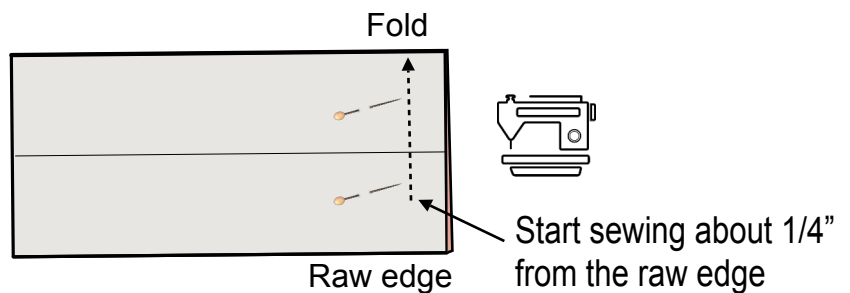


Fig. 6

E) Trim the SA to about 1/8", on the side of the raw edges cut a bit of fabric in the diagonal past the stitches. Fig. 7. Turn to the right side, poke the corner out carefully. Refold the raw edges to the inside. Fig. 8. Repeat to sew the other end of the strap. Press well and clip or pin the entire strap.

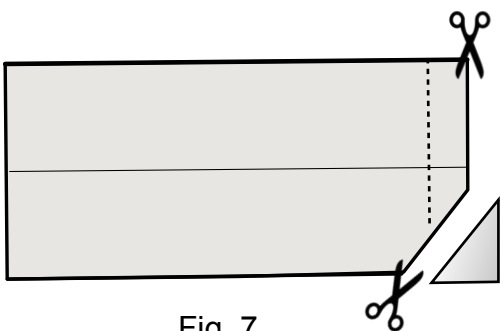


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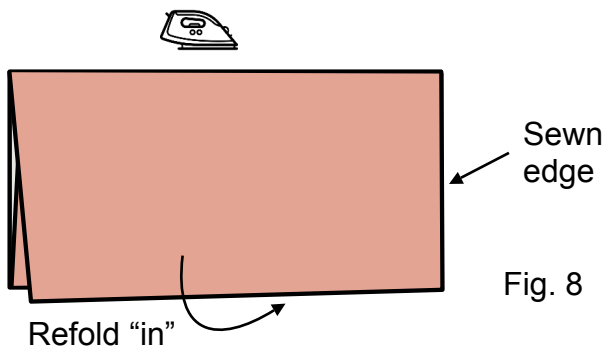


Fig. 8

F) Topstitch the strap all around at 1/8". Fig. 9.

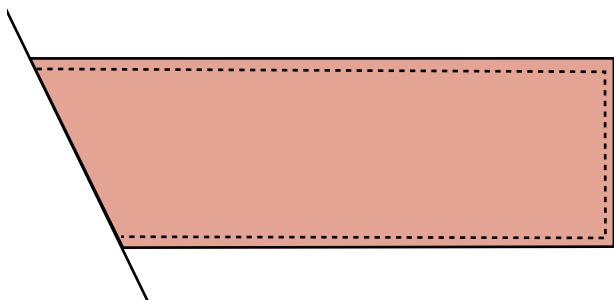


Fig. 9

G) Take one of the swivel hook and slip it on one of the ends and fold up about 1". Sew the strap together so the hook stays in place at 1/4". Fig. 10. Repeat on the other end. Make sure the fold is to the same side that was made on the other side.

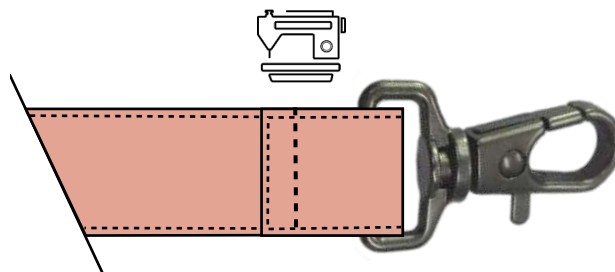
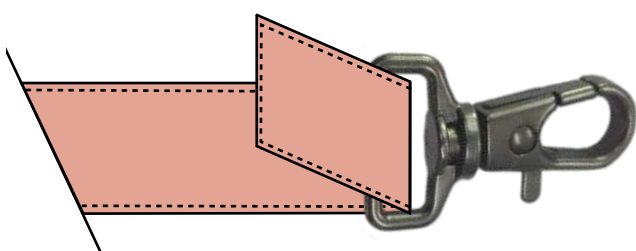


Fig. 10

**Your strap is done.**