

# Face masks

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	Finished Size	Cut Size (2 pieces)
Small	6 1/4" x 4 "	8 3/4" X 6 1/2"
Medium	7 1/2" X 4"	9 X 7"
Large	8" x 4"	9 1/2" X 7 1/4"

## MATERIALS

Elastic

2 pieces measuring: large = 6 3/4"  
medium = 6"  
small = 5 1/2"

If making ties:

4 pieces 18" long x 1 3/4" wide.

Optional wire piece

4 1/2" of 22 gauge florists wire

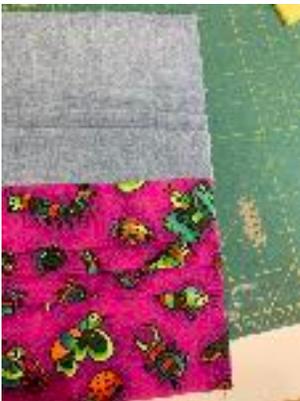
MGH has requested a lighter colour for the inside of the mask. Stitch the two pieces together on one long edge using 1/4" seam allowance (SA). Press SA to one side.



Form 3 small pleats on each piece. Some people prefer to use an inverted pleat, just make sure you use the same amount to fabric, 1 1/2". I placed my first one 1" below the seam line and spaced them approximately 1/2" apart. Each pleat uses 1/2" (1/4" deep) for a total amount of 1 1/2".

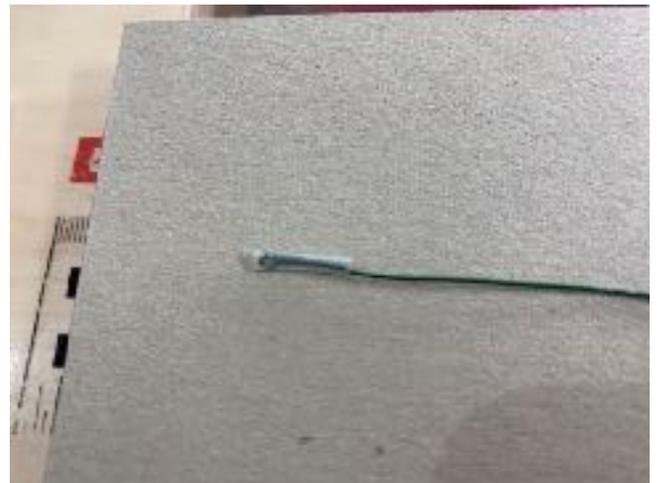
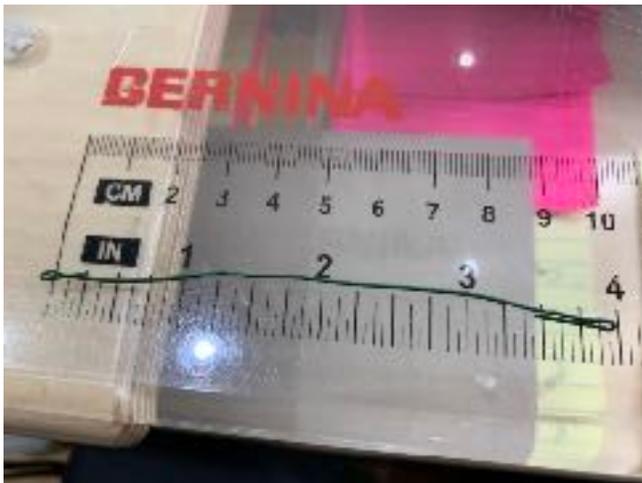
If you have a serger, you can serge the sides (short edge) making sure to keep the pleats consistent. Also, you will need to reduce the width of the mask as you won't be using as much fabric as the second method.

If you are using a sewing machine, turn the side edge under 3/8" twice and then topstitch. You might want to baste the pleated area before topstitching.



Press the mask wrong sides together. (You should be looking at the right side of fabric.)

If adding wire, fold under approximately 1/4" on both ends and crimp with pliers. Wrap both ends so the end of the wire is covered.



Mark the centre 4 1/4" on the top of the mask.  
Topstitch a row approximately 1/4" from the top of the mask along this line closing in one end.  
Slide the wire into this section and then topstitch the other end closed so the wire can't slide out.



Place the mask right sides together and stitch the bottom seam using 1/4".  
If using a serger, you could also serge this seam.



Turn right sides out and press this seam flat.

Insert one end of tie or elastic under each corner edge and topstitch or Zigzig using a very close stitch. If using elastic, make sure it forms a loop on each side. If using ties, press the strip in half lengthwise and then press the raw edges in towards the crease. Now topstitch along the edge.

