

FLYING NEEDLES

FAST – TOTE BAGS

Step 1. Serger finish top edge of fabric on cross cut edge while fabric is flat with a tiny trim cut.

Step 2. Iron down the serged top edge for a 2 inch hem. Mark 5 inches down on the side seam as stopping point for side seam closing.

Step 3. Serge bottom closed starting with the open seam.

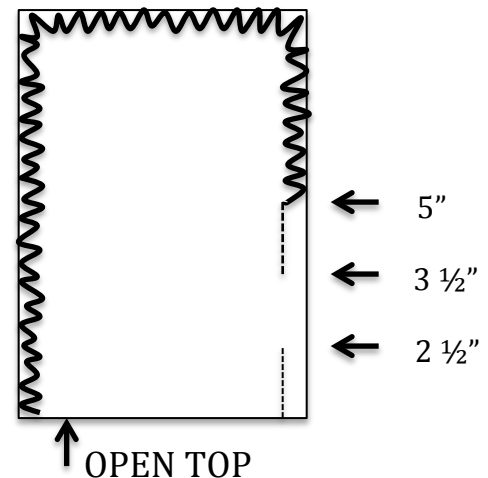
Step 4. Serge side seam closed, starting at bottom and serging off at the 5 inch mark.

Step 5. Quick tie off all serger thread tails and cut off.

Step. Give bag to a sewing machine person.

Step 7. Make 2 marks on side seam opening: (1st) 2 ½ inches down from the serged edge at top opening and (2nd) 3 ½ inches down.

Step 8. ¼" seam allowance. Start sewing & secure stitching 2" or so before sergering stitches stop. Sew to the 3 ½" mark & secure stitches. Skip forward & start (secure) at 2 ½" mark sewing to the top. Secure stitches again. (There will be a 1" opening in the side seam for the draw cord.)



Step 9. Fold down hem and topstitch ¼" from the fold.

Step 10. With bag inside out lay draw cord inside hem & feed ends through the 1" opening in the side seam TO THE FRONT, top stitch the hem down.

BAG DONE!!!

(cord length, about 1 2/3 yds.)