

Dump Bag instructions

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If you were furnished with a kit, please identify the pieces and trim to "square" with grain of fabric.

Bag (outside color)	22" wide x 11" tall
Strap (same as bag?)	5" wide x 30" tall
Lining of bag	22" wide x 10" tall
Pocket (contrast)	11" wide x 8.5" tall
Foot (batting/fleece)	22" wide x 11" tall
	5" wide x 13" tall

3 Shank Buttons - 3/4" (1/2" to 7/8" diameter works)

Plastic Tubing 1/4" ice maker line type and 21" long Create a hoop with tubing, if not provided.

If hoop is not provided, instructions for joining the ends with dowel pieces or toothpicks are below.

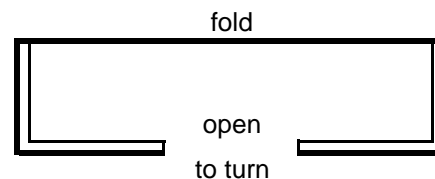
All fabric & buttons must be machine washable. Pocket fabric must contrast with bag fabric for visibility & is usually same fabric as lining.

Construct the pocket first: fold it in half so it is 11" x 4.25"

Right sides together See diagram: --->

Sew seams in pocket at 1/4" seam allowance

Sew along sides to bottom, leaving opening to turn,



Turn right side out, turn raw edges to inside & press. Top stitch only the one side to close the opening used to turn

The folded side becomes the bottom of the pocket. The top stitched side becomes the top of the pocket.

Fold pocket in half to determine center and mark with pin, the center point at top & bottom of pocket (appx. 5.25).

Now make a removeable mark (or pin) at 3/4" to the left & to right of center point (top & bottom of pocket).

On the outer bag, determine the center point along the bottom- should be at 11". Mark with pin that center point appx. 2" up from the bottom edge. Mark (pen dot ok- will be hidden later) at 1/2" to left & to right of that center point. Repeat those marks 4" higher which is 5" down from the top edge of bag.

Lay the bottom of the pocket, 2" above the bottom of the bag. You are going to form a small tunnel in the center of pocket for pen/pencil.

Match the marks on pocket to the marks on the bag - these are the marks to the left & right of center. (1.5" of pocket to 1" on bag)

Sew pocket onto bag by stitching a line from the top mark to bottom mark. Repeat parallel stitch line 1" from first stitch line.

Form a small pleat at the bottom of the tunnel. Bring the right and left sides of pocket toward the center about 3/8". Keep bottom of pocket level, 2" above the bottom of bag. Repeat 2 similar tuck/pleats at bottom of pocket on the right and left. Sew pocket to the bag by stitching

along sides and bottom of pocket about 1/16" from edge of pocket. Recommend you sew re-enforcement stitches at the top of the pockets.

Use 1/2" seam allowance for the remainder of construction

Lay the layer of bag foot down, lay the outer bag fabric on top of it (the pocket should be showing). Lay the lining fabric on next, right sides together with outer bag fabric. Wrong side of lining is showing. Sew the 3 layers together. This seam is along the 22" length of fabric. The opening of the pocket is facing this seam line (do not stitch seam near bottom of pocket).

Right sides facing up, press the seam allowance towards the lining.

Refold in half as shown here:

Sew 1/2" seam along the right side, see

fold side

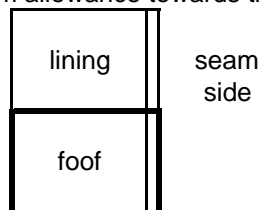


diagram: --->

Mark the fold line, top and bottom as that is now the center front. Refold matching center front with the back seam.

Right sides together, sew bottom seam of the bag, leave top seam of lining open to turn.

Turn under 1/2" of the lining at the top and press.

Join the ends of plastic tubing into hoop, if it hasn't been done yet. Instructions for dowel or toothpicks are below at the end of instructions.

With the right side of fabric on the inside, put the bag inside the center of the plastic hoop.

Bring the hoop up near the seam line where the lining attaches to the bag.

Use that seam line as a guide to keep the hoop horizontal on the bag. If tube won't stay horizontal, see further directions at the bottom.

Fold the lining down over the hoop. Use 2 or 3 straight pins along the seam line to hold hoop in position.

Turn it so the outer bag fabric is outside and the lining is in the inside. The seam line should be consistent (level) about 1/4" below hoop.

Re-pin along the seam line approximately every 2" to anchor hoop in place.

The position of the bag to sew it: tubing to the right of the presser foot, body of the bag to the left of the presser foot.

This stitch line should be as near to the hoop as possible, but not so close that the needle hits the plastic tubing. Reposition the needle to the far right. We have attempted to use a zipper foot but found it difficult to hold position with the thickness. It is not necessary for casing to be tight to hoop. Just try to maintain the same distance as you sew around the bag. Pull the lining out of the bag. Close the bottom of the lining by lining up the center point with the seam and stitch the folded edges together with an approximate 1/8" seam. Put lining back inside bag.

STRAP: Fold the strap in half, right sides together so it is 5" wide and 15" tall. Lay the foot on top, trim the foot back at least 1" from each end. (foot ends up being appx. 5" x 13"). Sew along both of the 15" sides (recommend foot on bottom to sew). Leave the 5" wide end open for turning. Turn the strap right side out and press.

Create first button hole approximately 1 and 1/2 inches from the raw edge (open seam end). Center it in middle of strap = 2" from each side.

Length of button hole should be parallel to length of strap.

Create second buttonhole, starting it 4" from start of first button hole.

Not 4 inches between buttonholes; it is 4 inches from start of buttonhole #1 to start of buttonhole #2

Turn under 1/2" of raw edge opening. Top stitch along 3 sides, the 2 long (15") sides and closing the opening. Don't topstitch at the fold end.

Attach strap to bag

Pin the fold end of the strap to the outside of the back of the bag, (pocket side is the front).

Center of strap should line up with the center back seam. Fold end of strap should extend appx 1/2" below the stitch line below hoop.

Initially pin strap on the back, till it is level. Re-pin from inside the bag and remove pins on the outside. Position the bag under the presser foot just as when the hoop casing was sewn. Sew through all layers of bag and strap. Sew near the original hoop casing stitch line. Then re-enforce by sewing a second stitch line parallel and 1/8" from the first stitch line. This should securely fasten the strap to the bag.

With the lining smoothed insided the bag, sew a stitch line about 1" long at the very bottom of the bag, near the seam line.

This holds the lining down inside the bag.

Sew the first button at the base of the strap where it is attached to the bag, line it up with the center back seam of bag.

Sew the second button along the center back seam 4" down from the 1st button.

Sew the third button along center back seam 4" down from the second button (near the bottom of the bag)

Test button locations with **your** buttonholes. If something happened and 3 won't fit - don't panic, just use 2 buttons.

Sometimes the 21" length of tubing is just a bit too long and the hoop of tubing won't stay parallel to the stitch line. If this happens, trim 1/8" off one end of the tubing. Sometimes the 22" of fabric isn't exactly 22" or the seam allowance isn't exactly at 1/2".

If necessary keep trimming the tube by 1/8" until the hoop of tubing cooperates to stay parallel.

It is better to have the hoop be a smidge smaller and it will "gather" the fabric around it, than to have to hoop too big.

If dowel piece isn't available to join the two ends of the plastic tubing into a hoop use two tooth picks.

Use round or square but not flat toothpicks, flat is too thin and brittle.

Cut 2 toothpicks in half. Two points and two cut edges to the left and 2 points and two cut edges to the right.

Insert the four pieces of tooth picks into one end of tubing. If all four pieces just won't fit, try 3. Insert the other end of tubing onto other end of tooth picks.

Make sure all fabrics and buttons are machine washable. We have tested the ice maker plastic tubing and dowel in washer & med. Heat dryer.

Dimensions of Fabric Suggested

Bag (outside color)	22" wide x 11" tall
Strap (same as bag?)	5" wide x 30" tall
Lining of bag	22" wide x 10" tall
pocket	11" wide x 8.5" tall
foof - batting/fleece?	22" wide x 11" tall
	5" wide x 13" tall
1/4" ice maker line plastic tubing and 21" long	

Alternate Dimensions/ Fabrics Etc.

Bag & lining are same width	(44" width fabric, trim selvage and half it)
Strap could be less than 5" wide but suggest not less than 3"	
lining is 1" shorter but same width as bag fabric	
Pocket width, can be less than 11" wide (44"width fabric, trim selvage and quarter it)	
for body of bag - suggest poly quilt batting as fleece can be too thick at seam lines	
for cushioning inside strap - fleece or cotton batting (W&N type)	
Please do not substitute other kinds of tubing. Oxygen tubing is too flexible.	
We used 1/2" to 3/4" lengths of wood dowel that is 3/16" thick to join into hoop.	

3 Shank buttons - 1/2" to 7/8" diameter.

With the padding in the strap the shank buttons work best.