UTILITY APRON INSTRUCTIONS
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SUPPLY LIST
- FABRIC #1: ½ YARD HEAVY COTTON TWILL OR COTTON DENIM OR HOME DÉCOR FABRIC
- FABRIC #2: 10” BY 18” PIECE OF HEAVY COTTON TWILL OR HOME DÉCOR FABRIC
- ONE PACKAGE EXTRA WIDE DOUBLE FOLD BIAS TAPE
- 1 ½ YARDS COTTON TWILL TAPE OR GROSGRAIN RIBBON, EITHER ¼” OR ⅜” WIDE

INSTRUCTIONS
1. CUT OUT PATTERN PIECES USING PAPER SCISSORS
2. PLACE APRON AND LOOP PATTERNS ON FABRIC #1. PLACE POCKET PATTERN ON FABRIC #2. CUT OUT.
3. MARK CENTER OF APRON AND POCKET FABRICS WITH CHALK OR WATER SOLUBLE PEN.
4. PIN BIAS TAPE TO TOP OF POCKET. BE SURE NARROW WIDTH OF TAPE IS ON RIGHT SIDE OF FABRIC. STITCH. TRIM ENDS.
5. FOLD TWO SHORT SIDES OF POCKET UNDER ¼”. IRON.
6. PLACE WRONG SIDE OF POCKET TO RIGHT SIDE OF APRON, MATCHING THE CENTER MARKS. DRAW LINE DOWN CENTER OF POCKET. STITCH ON THE LINE. BE SURE TO BACK TACK!
7. PIN FOLDED EDGES OF POCKET. STITCH CLOSE TO EDGE. STITCH AGAIN ABOUT ¼” FROM THE FIRST STITCHING. BE SURE TO BACK TACK!
8. FOLD LOOP IN HALF WRONG SIDES TOGETHER. IRON, CREATING A CENTER LINE. FOLD EACH SIDE OF LOOP INSIDE TOWARD CENTER LINE. IRON. STITCH CLOSE TO EDGE.
9. FOLD LOOP IN HALF. PLACE RAW EDGES 3” DOWN FROM LEFT TOP OF APRON WITH RAW EDGES TOWARD OUTSIDE. STITCH ALL RAW EDGES ¼” FROM EDGE. STITCH AT THE FOLDED EDGE OF LOOP TWO TIMES. BE SURE TO BACK TACK!
10. PIN BIAS TAPE TO POCKET. BEGIN AT UPPER RIGHT CORNER. BE SURE NARROW WIDTH OF TAPE IS ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF FABRIC.

HOW TO TURN CORNER WITH BIAS TAPE:
- SECURELY PIN ALONG SHORT EDGE OF APRON
- OPEN TAPE AND SECURELY HOLD SIDE ALREADY PINNED
- WRAP TAPE AROUND BOTTOM EDGE OF APRON. PIN.
- TUCK TAPE ON NARROW APRON EDGE UNDER TO FORM A 45 DEGREE ANGLE. PIN.
- BE SURE TAPE ON WRONG SIDE OF APRON IS ALSO A 45 DEGREE ANGLE.
11. STITCH CLOSE TO EDGE OF BIAS TAPE. AT THE CORNER, KEEP NEEDLE IN FABRIC AND PIVOT TO STITCH THE BOTTOM EDGE.
12. FOLD TOP EDGE OF APRON UNDER ¼”. IRON. FOLD UNDER AGAIN 1”. IRON.
13. PIN FOLDED EDGE DOWN. STITCH CLOSE TO EDGE. BE SURE TO BACK TACK! DO NOT STITCH SIDES!
14. CUT TWILL TAPE IN HALF. INSERT ABOUT 1” INSIDE THE UPPER POCKET OPENINGS. STITCH CLOSE TO EDGE AND ABOUT ½” FROM EDGE TO SECURE TAPE.
15. FINISH RAW EDGES OF APRON STRINGS USING ONE OF THE FOLLOWING METHODS:
   OPTION 1: TIE A KNOT AT RAW EDGE OF TAPE
   OPTION 2: TURN TAPE UNDER ¼” AND TURN UNDER AGAIN ¼”. STITCH.