

HATPAX

Fleece for Peace.

make a hat – warm a heart



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Directions for Making a Fleece Hat

1. For each hat, you will need 6 fleece "triangles" and one hat band rectangle. Follow the directional markings on the pattern pieces when cutting.
2. Determine the desired arrangement for the 6 fleece triangles which will form the top of the hat (alternating solids with patterned pieces, for example).
3. Stack the first 2 adjacent triangles with right sides together. Using a $\frac{3}{8}$ inch seam allowance, stitch along the long edge from bottom to top, (Note: There is no need to backstitch while sewing fleece as the stitches simply bury themselves very snugly into the fleece.)
4. Repeat Step 3 for 2 more triangle pieces.
5. Lay one of each of the remaining triangles along one edge or the other of the stitched pairs, taking care to adhere to the color arrangement decided on earlier. Then, right sides together, stitch each of the two remaining pieces to their respective pairs. Open out the fleece to reveal the right sides of the two "semi-circle" shapes you have now created which are the two halves of the top of the hat.
6. Stack the 2 halves of the top of the hat, right sides together. Stitch from one side of the semi-circle shape, up and over the top, to the bottom of the other side. Turn the 'finished top of your hat right side out. Set aside.
7. Bring together the 2 short ends of the long hat band, right sides together and stitch across the end. Then fold the circular band in half, wrong sides together, so the long edges on each side are aligned with each other and the seam allowance from your seam is hidden inside.
8. Place the finished hat band down over the outside of the hat top so that the two raw edges on the hat band are even with the bottom raw edge of the hat. Using a $\frac{1}{2}$ inch seam allowance here, stitch all the way around the hat edge, through the 3 layers of fleece, slightly stretching either the hat or the band as needed to make the band fit the hat well.
9. Fold down the band so that the seam allowance faces the inside of the hat. You are done!

Notes:

- You can adjust the size of the hat by adjusting the seam allowance. A larger seam allowance will make the hat smaller .
- Be aware that some fleece, particularly solid color fleece, does not have a right side. But some patterned fleece definitely does!



Hat Triangles – 7.5 x 4.5

NOT Actual size

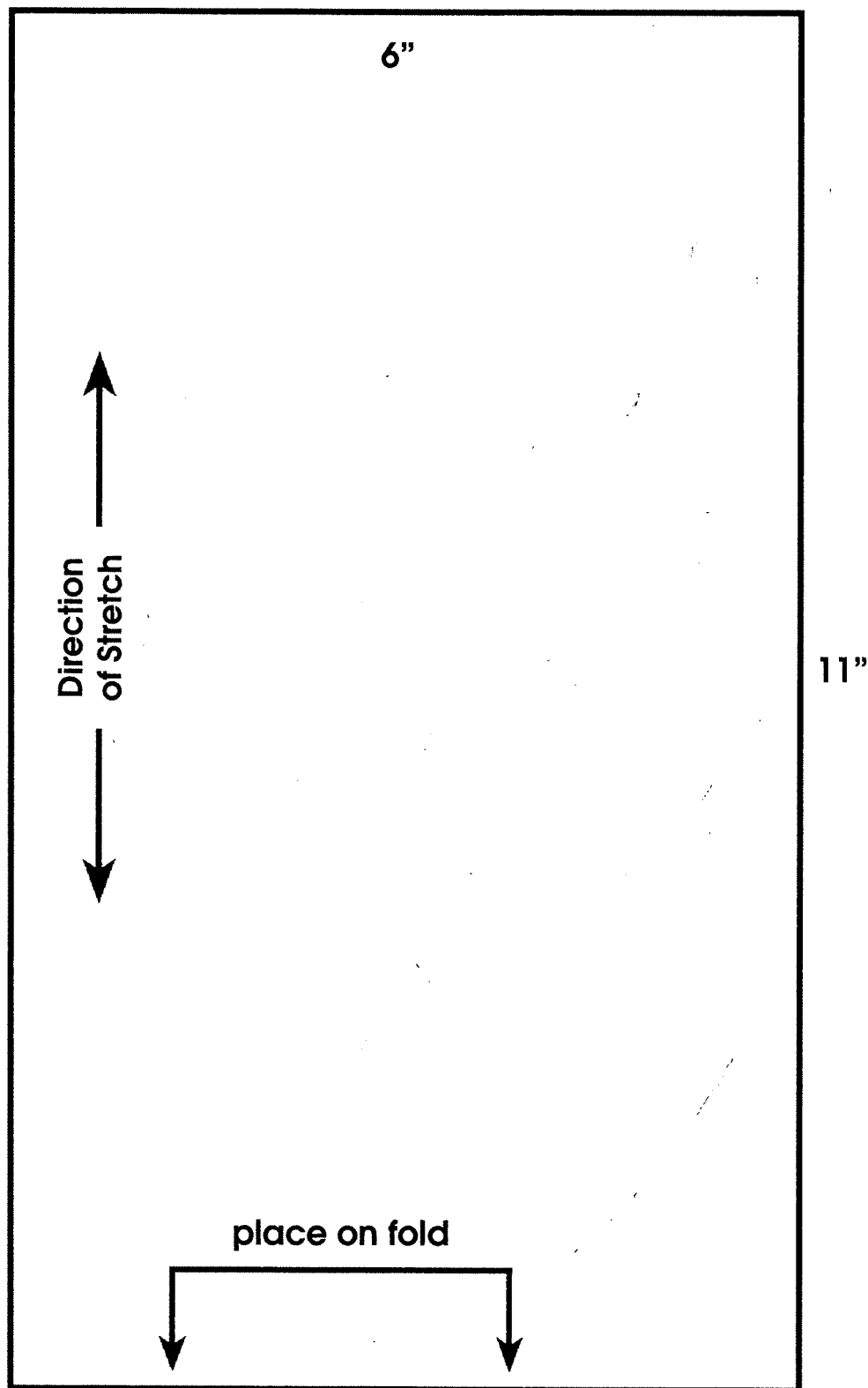
Cut Six

Direction
of Stretch



Hat Band – Cut One

(diagram is not actual size)



Please deliver finished hats to the parish office on or before Monday, March 15th.
There will be a cart outside the office for drive-up/drop-offs on Monday, March 15th from 9am - 5pm...
Please call the office if you would like to drop off on an earlier date 248-656-8720. Thank you!