



GETTING 2 ZERO

HOW TO MAKE A CAT CARRY CAGE COVER



Reducing stress for the cats in your care is imperative for their health, future and happiness. Limiting visual stimulation in unfamiliar surroundings can reduce the associated stress. One of the ways this can be achieved is by covering their carry cage during transport.

Making cat cage covers can be a valuable volunteer project. They are reusable, easy to disinfect and use and are a very effective resource in your fear free, low stress handling tool box.

This guide gives you all of the information needed to get you started on your DIY cat carry cage cover journey!

- Finished size: 37cm high x 37cm wide x 53cm deep.
- Fabric required: 1.5m of 1.12w lightweight cotton fabric
- Handle hole is 14cm x 4cm
- Seam allowance is 2cm
- Hem allowance is 4cm
- Notches are in the centre of the side seam for “Body of Cover” piece and the centre of the top seam of the “End” pieces

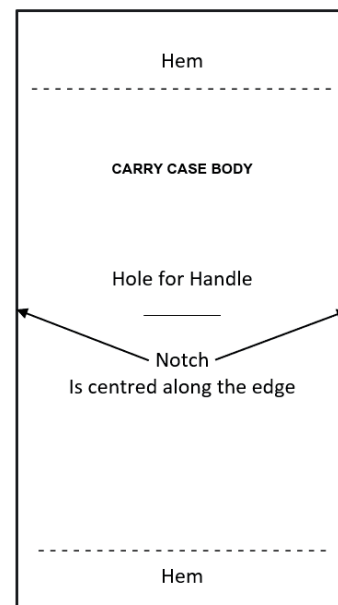
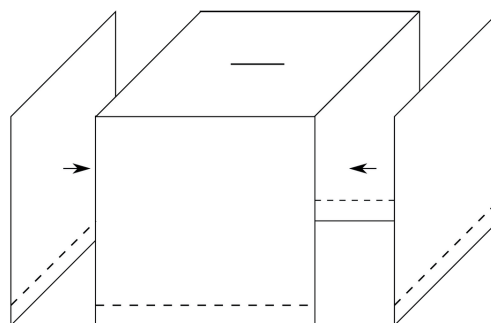


INSTRUCTIONS

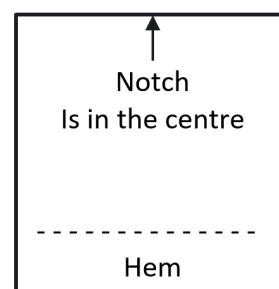


1. Cut out 1 x Body of Cover and 2 x End Pieces
2. Make sure you mark/snip the notches
3. Fold the long piece in half length ways and then in half again across the fabric. This gives you the centre of the piece which is where the hole for the handle goes.
4. Cut a slot with a total size of 14cm x 4cm – centering it across the short width of fabric.
5. Overlock the handle hole cut edges several times.
6. Matching the bottom corners of the long piece with a bottom corner of an end piece pin the two pieces together matching the notches.
7. Sew the two pieces together. You may need to cut into the seam allowance for ease as you sew around the corners.
8. Repeat for other end and overlock edges.
9. Turn up 2cm around the bottom and then turn up again to make the hem. The hem can be adjusted to fit the cage you're covering.

**This cover suits a
37cmW x 37cmH x
53cmL size cage
(i.e. PP20)**



Body of Cover
119cmH x 57cmW



End Piece
43cmH x 41cmW

Want to change the size?

Wider - Measure the width you need and add or subtract that amount to/from the Long Edge of the Body of Cover piece.

Taller - Add/subtract the amount to each hem of the Body of Cover and End piece.

Deeper - Add or subtract the amount to the hems of the Body of Cover piece and to the side seam of the End piece.

All seams and hems will still be same.

Notches will need to be checked to ensure they're in the centre of the seam.

Handle Hole check that it is still in the middle of the Body of Cover.

Note: Making the Cage Cover larger will increase the amount of fabric you need.

