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SWATCH	SKU / FABRIC	YD
	41099-1 Indigo - outer shell	1-1/2
	41100-1 Indigo Blue - lining	1-1/2

Additional Requirements:

(1) Package Bosal #493-36 In-R-Form Plus Unique Fusible Foam Stabilizer- size: 36"x 58" **

** please note size as the narrower size will not work.

1 1/2 yards of 1 1/2" wide Cotton Webbing cream color

(2) 5/8" silver metal snaps

Cutting:

41099-1 Indigo Cut (2) for outer tote following the measurements given at right to make tote pattern

Cut (1) rectangle 9 1/2" wide x 16" high for inside pocket

Cut (2) 3 1/2" wide x 4 1/4" high for top closing tabs

41100-1 Indigo

Cut (2) following tote pattern at right for lining

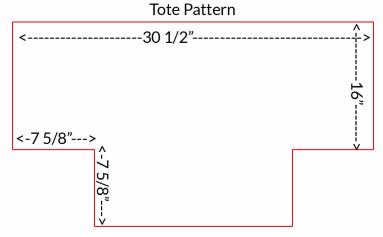
In-R-Form Plus Foam Stabilizer

Cut (2) following tote pattern at right

Cut (2) 13/4" wide x 4 1/4" high for top closing tabs

Assembly:

Seam allowance is 1/2" unless specified.







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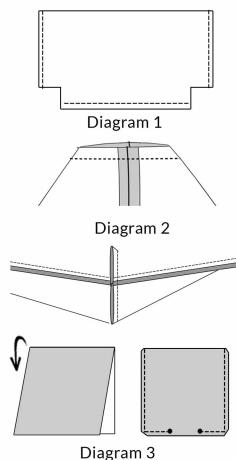
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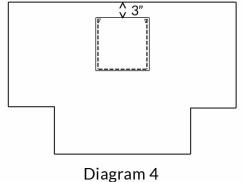
Tote Outside:

- 1. Take one side of the the tote and adhere the foam stablizer; follow the manufacturer's instructions http://www.bosalonline.com/in-r-form-instructions. Since we are only adhereing one side, you can place a piece of parchment paper under the stabilizer to protect your ironing surface as you iron on the fabric face. All you need right now is enough to keep the fabric and stabilizer in place.*
 - *Note: You will be ironing it with more heat and pressure once the lining is in place so you don't have to worry if all edges are not secure.
- 2. With right sides together, join the side seams. Turn seam allowance toward one direction and top stitch with a 1/4" stitch. Press seams flat remembering to keep parchment between stabilizer and ironing surface. Repeat this step for the bottom seam. Diagram 1
- Pinch the bottom corner opening together matching seams and stitch closed. Diagram 2 Repeat for the other side. Turn and Press.

Pocket and Lining:

- 1. With right sides together and fold the pocket in half. 1/4" stitch around the 3 open sides leaving a small opening on one side to turn. Clip seam allowance at corners, turn and press flat. Diagram 3
- 2. Place pocket on one side of the lining 3" from the top edge and centered between each side. Edge stitch around the sides and bottom reinforcing the top corners. Diagram 4
- 3. With right sides together, stitch the lining side and bottom seams closed as Diagram 1. Leave a 4" opening on one side seam to later turn the lining right side out when joined to tote face.
- Closed bottom corners of lining same as instructed for tote face.
 Diagram 2
 Press seams open and set aside.







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Handles and Tabs:

- 1. Handle Mark center of top edge of tote face. Cut (2) 27" long pieces from the cotton webbing. Take one handle piece and place it on top edge of the tote 3" from center mark. Extend the handle 1 1/2" beyond the top edge. Place the other side of the handles 3" from the center on the other side of center mark making sure to fold handle as shown so it will not be twisted. 1/8" stitch across the top to hold in place. Repeat for the other side of the tote. Diagram 5
- 2. Tab Fold the tab in half lengthwise and press a line at the fold, open. Adhere the foam stabilizer to the wrong side of each tab lining it up with the pressed line in the middle. Diagram 6
- 3. With right sides together, stitch the tab closed on one end and long side, clip corners, turn and press. Topstitch 1/4" from each side of handle.
- 4. Following manufacturer's instructions, attached (2) metal snaps 1 1/2" apart centered on the tab as shown in Diagram 7.
- 5. Place one tab with right side facing the tote face, centered over the side seam. Extend 1/2" above the top edge. 1/8" stitch across the top to hold in place. Repeat for the other side. Diagram 8

Final Assembly:

- With the wrong side of the tote facing out, place the lining with right sides together into the tote. Carefully pin or base around the top edge of tote. Then machine stitch top opening closed.
 Be sure handles and tabs are flat inside of the tote and not caught in top seam.
- 2. Turn the tote to the right side by carefully pulling through the opening in the lining. Machine edge stitch side seam opening closed.
- 3. Press top edge of tote flat. Base around top edge of the tote keeping seam line rolled slightly to the inside of tote. 1/4" topstitch top edge of tote.
- 4. Press the lining to the foam stablizer so that it is flat and adhered to the bag. You may experience some wrinkles so carefully align side seams and bottom seams before you press. Any fullness, push toward the bottom of the bag. This will take a little time but it will finish the bag nicely and keep the lining in place.
- 5. At the bottom of each handle sew a 1 1/8" x 1 1/8" square and then an X inside. This will help strength the handle. Diagram 9
- 6. Tote is ready to fill and go.

