

## PAGE 13-15: FREE DRESS

Now its time to move to our next topic which is the FREE DRESS  
Measurement areas needed are

Shoulder  
Sleeve  
Bust  
Waist  
Hip  
Length

So u need to take the measurement of these areas b4 we can transfer these measurement on to our fabric

Let me place the measurement I will be working with.

It's for a pretty big lady. wink

Shoulder 17  
Sleeve 14  
Bust 46  
Waist 39  
Hip 52  
Length 43

Time to divide our measurement into blocks. (Front block and back block)  
I will divide the bust waist and hip into two.

bust  $46 \div 2 = 23$

Waist  $39 \div 2 = 19.5$

Hip  $53 \div 2 = 26$

Because it's a free dress I need to add extra inches to make it free.

I will be using the biggest part to place my fabric on fold

Which is 26 +4 to make it free,that's- 30. I also must add seam allowance 1 inch.

So I have 31 inch placed on fold

Now let's talk about the length of the dress

The length of the dress is 43.but I will have to factor the different colours into the length. The dress we are using as a guide has two different colours but I want to make this one 3 colours .All I need to do is Identify the inches I want to make each colour. I also factor in seam allowance and deduct it from the 43 inch of the length. What ever is left will be part of the dominant colour of the dress.

I want to make my main dress 30 while the added fabric will be 13.

Now coz I am dividing 13 into 3, I will have it as  $4+4+5 = 13$ .

On each piece I must add 1 inch seam allowance to join it together.

This is the theoretical explanation

Now let do the placement on fabric so we can cut.

So for my fabric on fold I will be working with 31 inch on fold by 30 inch length+1 inch for seam.



Next I shape out my dress using the bust waist and hip also I shape out my shoulder, neck and arm hole area. my shoulder is 17 since my fabric is on fold it will be  $17 \div 2 = 8.5$

Neck is 4 by 4

Arm hole is 10 inch



So I cut out the unwanted parts.

The same thing is done to the back only I add seam allowance for the zip and the neck is higher



Here is my combination part



Next is my sleeve.14 + 1 inch for seam allowance

Now we are ready to join all the parts together. grin

It's work time people.





Doing their projects I hope.anyways we hope to see urs soon too.

The joining part of this dress is pretty basic.join shoulder to shoulder . side to side.fix the zip the sleeve and the combination part.at the end this is what u get.

Note that it's like this on this Manequin because was was made for a big person.go back to the measurement to see it.



What I do is I measure the upper bust length the bust length and the under bust length from the shoulder down . usually my arm hole area is around my upper bust

U can put Dart if u want. But the one I made didn't have dart

Eg bust length , bust circumference

Upper 8 36

bust 10 38

Under 13 32

with this if our upper bust length is 8 then then my arm hold would be around 7 ,8 maximum 9.8 is perfect.it can never be 10 because that would mean it would expose the bust area and the arm hole will be too big