

Wheelchair/Walker Bag

Facilities using this Pattern are:

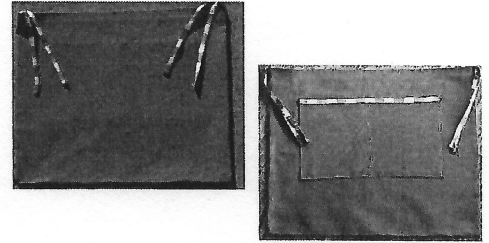
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(as always contact facility to be sure they are in need before spending your \$\$ and time)

Needed:

- 1 yard of sturdy fabric
- Optional: 1 yard of cotton or similar fabric for inside lining
- Paracord or Bias tape for ties (or make your own bias tape)
 - Paracord may be purchased at Menards, Amazon, Lowes, and some craft stores. (Do not use yarn)
- Velcro if making straps 2 pieces $\frac{3}{4}$ x1 inch. Snaps may also be used.
- 1/4-inch seam allowance unless noted.
- Optional: Slip pockets are a nice addition to the bag (*tip: add to bag before stitching side seams*) Here is a video you can watch to make a slip pocket: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9lCkCJAXiQ4>



Finished bag should measure approximately 20x16 inches

Note: A, B, and C are shown without the optional lining.

1. Cut 2- 4x18 inch pieces of fabric for straps and Velcro **OR** Cut four 2x18 inch for ties – 1/2-inch bias tape may be used or the Paracord.
2. Cut 1 piece of fabric 22x36 inches.
3. Fold fabric in half. (Now will measure 22x18 inches) *See A Below.*
4. With right sides together sew the side seams.
5. Fold top down 1/2 inch and press
6. Turn bag right side out and press (Do not turn optional inside lining right side out)

If adding optional inside lining, go to Step 9.

7. On the top, fold down 1 inch. Press and pin in place.
8. Stitch approximately 3/4 inch from the top edge along the bottom folded edge. *See B below.*
9. Add ties, straps. Stitch a square and X to reinforce straps. Do not add straps to lining. *See C below*
10. Top stitch at 1/4 inch at the top of bag if not adding optional lining

11. Optional Inside Lining repeat steps 2-6.

12. Insert lining into bag with wrong sides together. Match side seams and pin in place.
13. Top stitch bag and lining at 1/4 inch from top of bag.

Strap/Tie handles: (or Paracord may be used)

14. On wrong side of the 4-inch (or 2 inch) pieces mark center of fabric (long edge)
15. For ties and Velcro: On both short edges fold 1/4 inch on one end and press.
16. Fold both edges to center of fabric and press (*See D & E below*)
17. Fold in half and press (will now look like bias binding).
18. Top stitch 1/8 inch around the strap handle
19. Add Velcro. To reinforce use the box and X method *shown in C.*
20. Attach straps/ties as shown by folding in half and attach at the side seams. *in C below.*
21. Repeat 13-20 for remaining strap handles/ties.

