

INSTRUCTIONS FOR MAKING MASKS:

MASKS WITH ELASTIC:

We've learned that elastic is in short supply, so if you have some on hand, here are instructions for a basic mask for using elastic:

What you'll need:

- Tightly woven cotton fabric (cute print is more fun!) 9" x 6" for adult mask or 7.5" x 5" for child mask
- Rope elastic, 1/8" flat elastic, or beading cord elastic. Cut 2 pieces 7" long. (if using rope elastic or beading cord, tie a knot at each end)

Instructions:

1. Put right sides together (RST).
2. Starting at the center of the bottom edge (on one long side), sew a few stitches, back stitch, and sew to the first corner and stop.
3. Lay elastic in the body of the mask, butting against the seam, with one end sticking out a little. Sew over the elastic and back stitch to anchor it.
4. Sew to the next corner; stop; bring the other end of the same elastic strip to the corner and anchor it as in step 3.
5. Sew across the top of the mask to the next corner.
6. Attach one end of the remaining elastic strip as in step 3 and anchor.
7. Sew to the next corner and add elastic.
8. Sew across the bottom of the mask leaving about 2" to turn right side out. Back stitch to anchor. Turn right side out and press.
9. Create 2 or 3 tucks/pleats on each side of the mask. Make sure the tucks are going in the same direction.
10. Top stitch around the edge of the mask once or twice.

There are several You Tube sites for using elastic. Jenny Doan of Missouri Star Quilt Co. has a really easy mask.. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4kwFaRFHKhY>

MASKS WITH TIES:

Many groups are asking for masks with ties instead of elastic. The Sweet Red Poppy You Tube video has easy to follow

instructions: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nRdpEqwuF_0

OTHER OPTIONS: There's also a few You Tube videos for making a face mask with a special filter pocket and adjustable nose fitting. Here's an easy to follow video for this mask: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BCJcE-r7kcq>