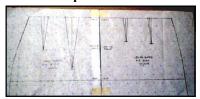
Removing Ease from Lower Torso (Skirt) Sloper

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The fitted slopers include ease that was added into the side seam. The instructions below show how to remove this ease as demonstrated in the videos. This page shows adjusting the pattern at the hip. The next page shows how to adjust at the waist.

Remove Hip Ease



- 1. Fold the back pattern along the Center Back line.
- 2. Place the back pattern on top of the front pattern with the Center Back line touching the Center Front line.
- 3. Tape in place.



- 4. Measure from the side seam on the back pattern to the side seam on the front pattern.
- 5. Record the measurement in the chart below.
- 6. Change the side seam at the hip as required.

Enter the width of the pattern from the instructions above: (a) _____

Enter your Hip Measurement (#15): _____ Divide by 2: (b) _____

Subtract (b) from (a): (c) ____

Divide by 2: (d) ____

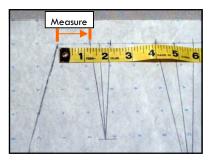
Move the front and back side seams in at the hips by the amount shown in (d). This reduces the size of the pattern to the hip dimension.

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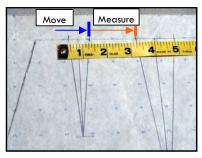
Remove the Waist Ease

After you have adjusted the side seam at the hip, use the instructions below to adjust the side seam at the waist. I recommend reducing the waist by an inch before cutting out the mat board. However, if you are creating a form that includes legs, this 1" will need to be removed after you have done the fitting.

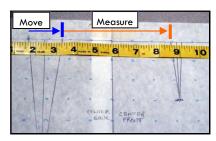
The number of darts your pattern has may be different from the number of darts on the pattern shown.



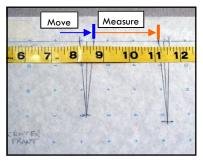
 Measure from the back side seam to the outside leg of the first dart.



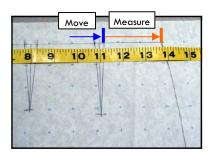
- 2. Move the tape measure from the outside leg of the dart to the inside leg of the dart.
- 3. Measure to the outside leg of the hip dart.



- 4. Move the tape measure from the outside leg of the hip dart to the inside leg of the hip dart.
- 5. Measure to the inside leg of the first front dart.



- 6. Move the tape measure from the inside leg of the first dart to the outside leg of this dart.
- 7. Measure to the inside leg of the second dart.



- 8. Move the tape measure to the outside leg of the second dart and measure to the side seam of the front pattern.
- 9. Record the measurement in the chart below.
- 10. Change the side seam at the waist as required.

Enter the width of the pattern from the instructions above: (a)
Enter your Waist Measurement (#11) minus 1" (2.54cm): Divide by 2: (b)
Subtract (b) from (a): (c)
Divide by 2: (d)
Move the front and back side seams in at the waist by the amount shown in (d). This reduces the size of the pattern to the hip dimension.