

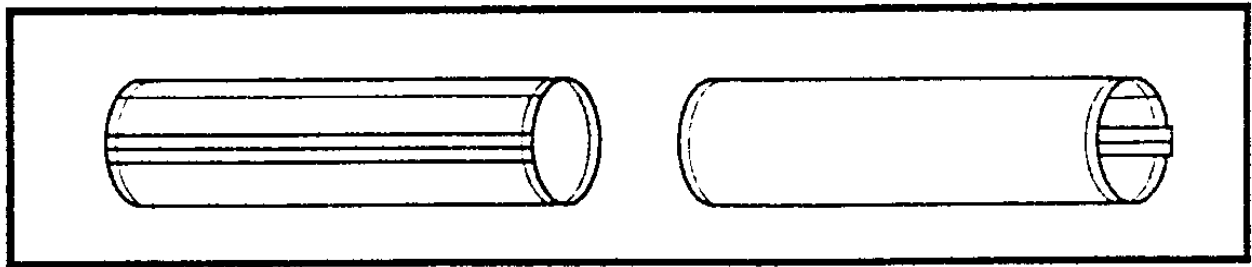
2013 Firehouse Quilts Annual Quilt Show

Sleeve Instructions

HOW TO MAKE A SLEEVE

(ROD POCKET)

1. Cut strips of fabric 9 inches wide and the length of the top of the quilt. This may need to be pieced strips to get the length needed.
2. Hem the ends by turning under $\frac{1}{4}$ inch, then turn under another $\frac{1}{4}$ inch, and top stitch.
3. With **WRONG** sides together, fold the strip in half lengthwise and sew the long edges together, leaving ends open. (see diagram).



4. Press seam allowance open and to the middle back, pressing creases at the top and bottom. On the back side, press another crease 1 inch down from the top crease.
5. With the seam in the sleeve against the back of the quilt, center the sleeve just below the binding and pin in place. Hand-sew the bottom edge of the sleeve to the quilt back along the bottom crease. No stitches should show on the front of the quilt.
6. Remove pins and fold the top of the sleeve along the second crease. Hand-sew the second crease in place on the back of the quilt. This allows more fullness for the rod to go through.

For a quick video from Margo (The Quilt Show)
http://www.thequiltshow.com/os/blog.php/blog_id/4012