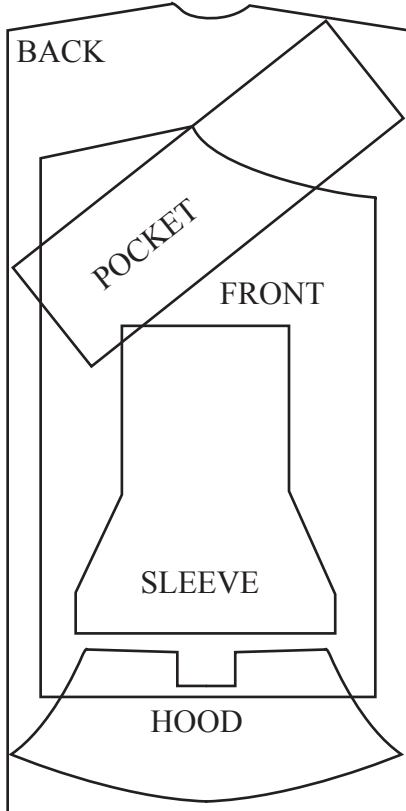


Yardage of Fabric Needed and Layouts

How the pattern pieces are nested in the PDF.



Layouts:

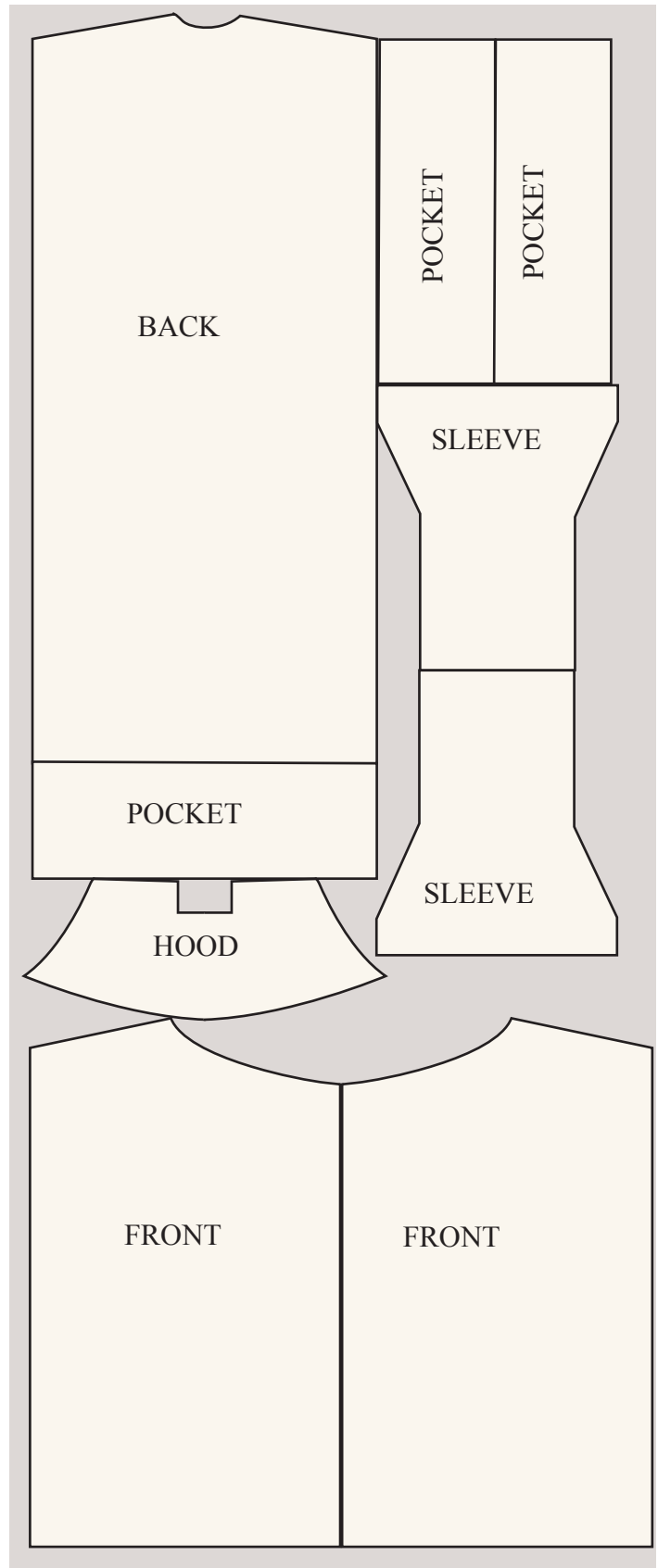
Shown: fabric 60"/152 cm. wide.
You will need 4.5 yds/4.1 meters

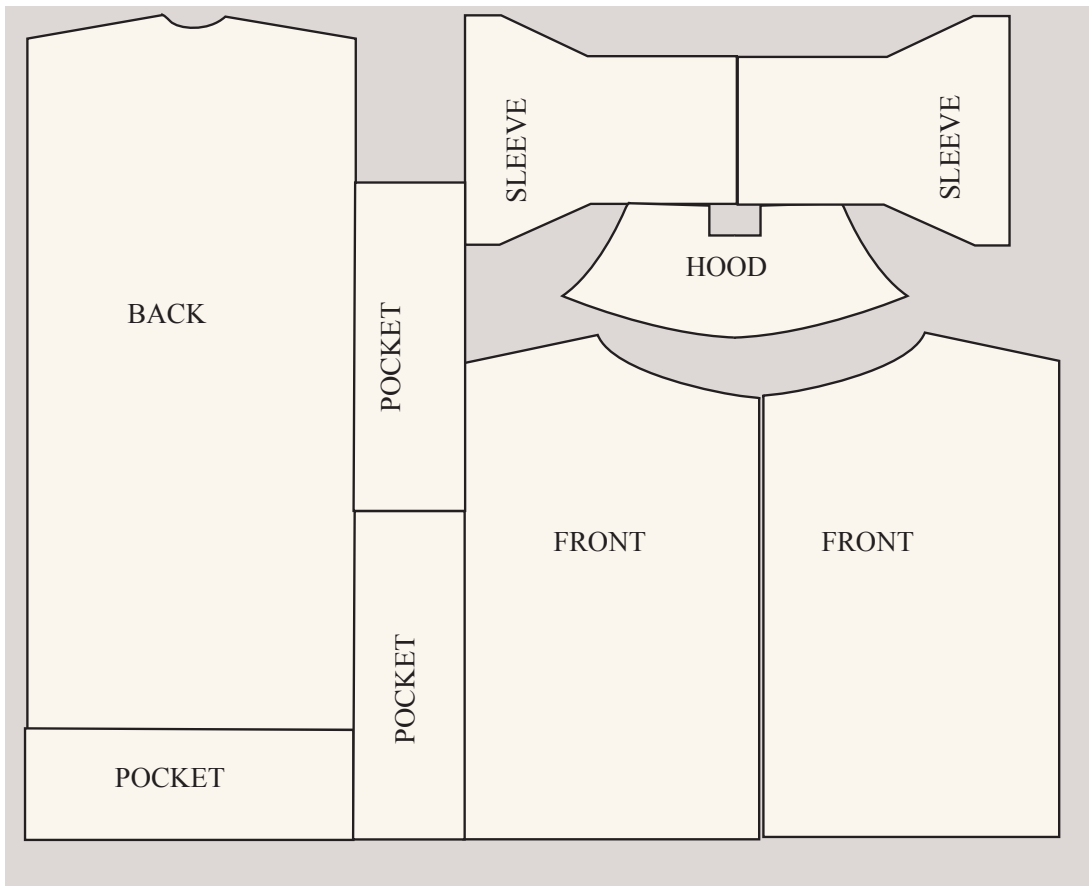
Wash your fabric before cutting as it may shrink.

Butt straight pattern edges together so you only have to cut them once.

If the selvages (long edges) are straight, cut the pieces right at the edge.

If the selvages are wavy, set the pieces in a bit.

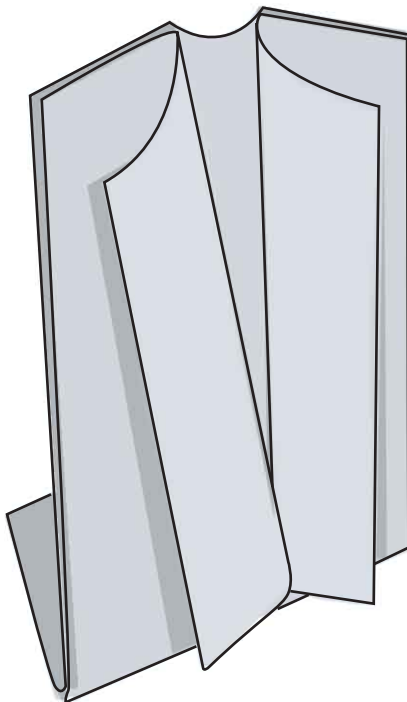




Layout for an
8x10'/244x305 cm.
blanket or tarp.

Wash it before
cutting as it may
shrink.

Altering pattern pieces to use less fabric:



The coat is sized for medium to large men, as women and children are given priority to sleep inside shelters.

It's cut wide, with a big dropped shoulder, as homeless people sleep in as many layers as they've got. The coat has to be big enough to go over everything.

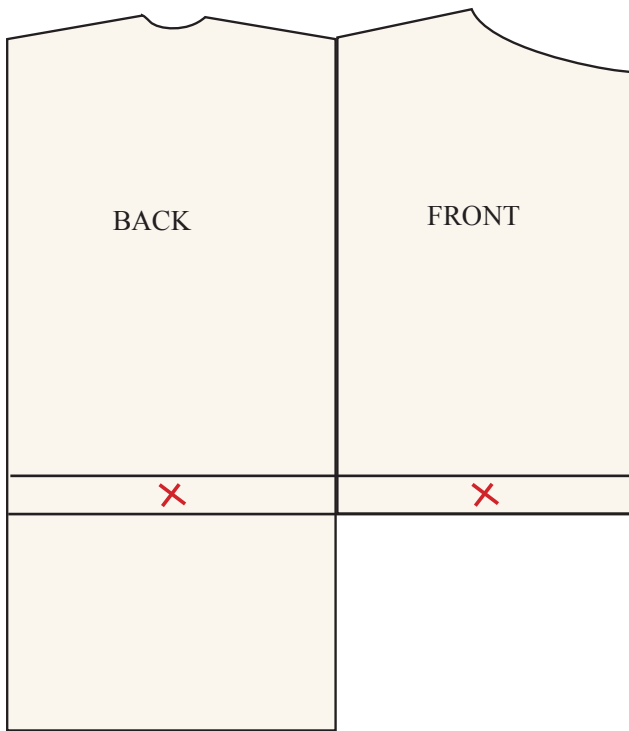
Do NOT make the fronts and back narrower unless you're going to rescale all the pieces!

Keep all pieces as large as you can to fit what you've got.

Here's how the fronts and the back go together (drafting and sewing instructions are given separately).

The longer back forms a flap that for sleeping turns up over the fronts.

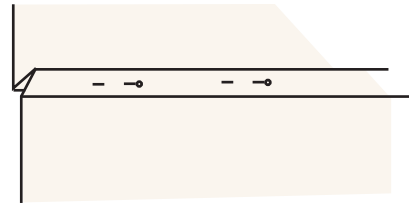
Everything has to be long enough and lapped enough to stay together.



People sleep curled up when they're cold. As long as there's room to bring up the knees, the length can be a little less.

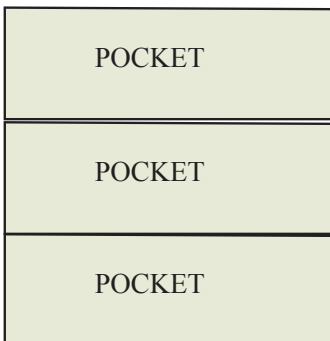
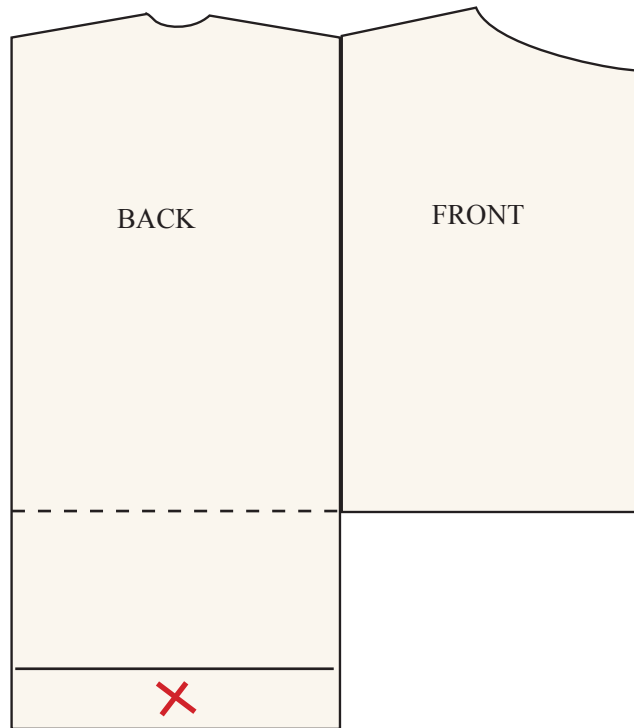
Both the fronts and the back must be shortened.

Pin out pleats to fit each coat's worth of fabric, so you can reuse your pattern.



The back flap can be shortened, but it must be at least 18"/45.7 cm. deep, or it won't stay tucked up over the fronts to keep the feet warm.

Always keep the back flap as long as you can.



Cut the pockets out of another fabric.

Instructions for drafting the coat and sewing it are given separately.