

Split Rows: Two Variations

Bind-off with working yarn;
Long-tail cast-on with free end of ball

As given in original pattern: bind-off is tighter
than in others. The purl loops in the preceding
row were pulled out about half an inch.

Bind-off with working yarn;
chain cast on



During the test knits there were experiments with other styles of bind-offs/cast-ons. Above you can see all three variations, yet in the finished neckwarmer there is no apparent difference when manipulating the ribs. You can try one or both of the alternates without having to frog back and redo your work.

Both of the alternates shown here bind off with the working yarn, which continues across the columns all the way to the end. The cast-ons happen in the purl row on the return trip.

You can use either a crochet hook or the tips of your needles. Bind-offs are always on a knit row.



Bind-off with Working Yarn (Faster with a crochet hook)

Work stitches for Column 1 as usual.

Put your hook through the first stockinette stitch of column 2 and draw through a loop of the working yarn. Draw up the loop.



Put your hook through the second stitch and draw the working yarn through both loops. Repeat.

Leave the last stitch on your right needle (arrow) and continue with the next column as usual.

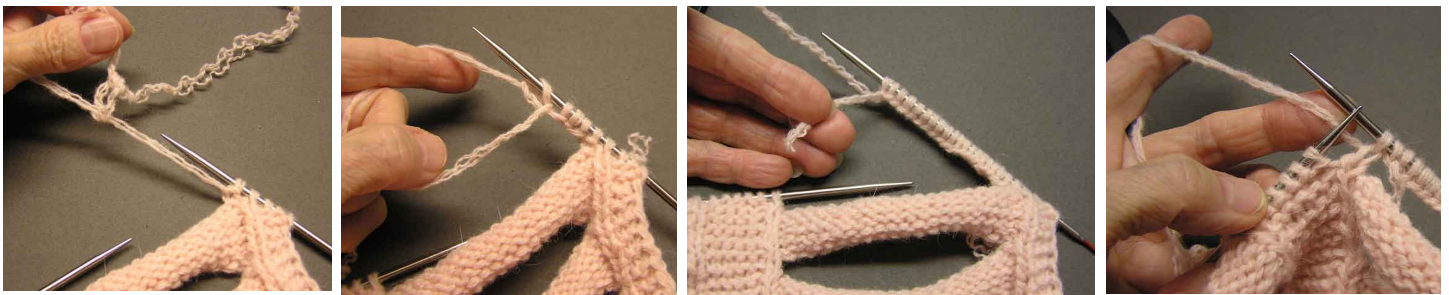
Cast-on with Working Yarn (no photos)

Bind off with working yarn as shown on previous page.

Begin working Purl Row as instructed across column.

Put the remaining stitch of bound-off stockinette **on your crochet hook** and cast on 19 stitches with a [chain-edge cast-on](#). Transfer the last loop from your hook to the needle.

This is the same as a provisional cast-on without the waste yarn. There are many instructions on line, both with graphics and videos.



Long-Tail Cast-on with Working Yarn

Bind off with working yarn as shown on previous page.

Begin working Purl Row as instructed across column.

Free up a foot or two of yarn from the other end of your working ball. Tie it to your working yarn with an overhand knot and snug it up to the last stitches worked.

Begin a standard long-tail cast-on. When you have a total of 20 stitches, leave 2" and cut yarn.

Continue your Purl Row, pulling the first stitch tightly so there's no slack between stitches.

Later, snug up the tails and let them lie in the curl of the rib. They won't go anywhere.

