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Model: 464

INTRODUCTION

The Clover Bias Tape Makers are essential tools for creating perfectly folded bias tape quickly and efficiently. This set includes five different sizes, allowing you to produce bias tape in various widths for a wide range of sewing and crafting projects. These tools simplify the process of turning fabric strips cut on the bias into neat, uniform tape, ideal for binding edges, creating decorative accents, or making fabric straps.

PRODUCT CONTENTS

Your package contains a set of five Clover Bias Tape Makers, each designed to produce bias tape of a specific finished width:

- **6mm (1/4 inch)** Bias Tape Maker (Red)
- **12mm (1/2 inch)** Bias Tape Maker (Yellow)
- **18mm (3/4 inch)** Bias Tape Maker (Green)
- **25mm (1 inch)** Bias Tape Maker (Blue)
- **50mm (2 inch)** Bias Tape Maker (Black)



This image displays the complete set of five Clover Bias Tape Makers, each in a different color and size, ready for use.

SETUP AND PREPARATION

Before using your bias tape maker, proper fabric preparation is crucial for best results.

- 1. Choose Your Fabric:** Select a lightweight to medium-weight fabric. For best results, use fabric that can hold a crease well when ironed.
- 2. Cut Fabric on the Bias:**
 - Lay your fabric flat and identify the bias grain, which runs at a 45-degree angle to the selvage (the finished edge of the fabric).
 - Cut strips of fabric on this 45-degree bias. The width of these strips should be **twice the finished width** of the bias tape you wish to make. For example, for a 12mm (1/2 inch) bias tape, cut a 24mm (1 inch) wide fabric strip.
- 3. Prepare Fabric Strip End:** Cut one end of your fabric strip to a point or a slight angle. This will make it easier to feed into the bias tape maker.

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Follow these steps to create perfectly folded bias tape:

- 1. Insert Fabric:** With the pointed end of your fabric strip, feed it into the wide opening of the bias tape maker. Use an awl or a pin to help push the fabric through until it emerges from the narrow end.
- 2. Pull and Press:**
 - Once the fabric emerges, gently pull the fabric strip through the bias tape maker. As you pull, the tool will automatically fold the raw edges of the fabric towards the center.
 - Immediately follow the bias tape maker with a hot iron, pressing the newly formed folds flat. This sets the creases and creates your finished bias tape.
 - Continue to pull the fabric maker and press the tape until the entire strip is converted into bias tape.
- 3. Store:** Once cooled, roll your finished bias tape onto a spool or fold it neatly for future use.

MAINTENANCE

Clover Bias Tape Makers require minimal maintenance to ensure longevity and optimal performance.

- **Cleaning:** If fabric fibers or lint accumulate, gently wipe the bias tape maker with a soft, dry cloth. Avoid using harsh chemicals or abrasive materials.
- **Storage:** Store the bias tape makers in a dry place, away from direct sunlight and extreme temperatures. Keeping them in their original packaging or a dedicated craft organizer can prevent loss and damage.

TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Fabric not feeding smoothly.	Fabric strip is too wide or too thick; end not pointed enough; fabric is not cut on the true bias.	Ensure fabric strip width is exactly twice the finished tape width. Use a thinner fabric. Re-cut the leading edge to a sharper point. Verify fabric is cut on a true 45-degree bias.
Bias tape is uneven or folds are not crisp.	Inconsistent pulling speed; iron not hot enough; fabric not suitable for pressing.	Maintain a steady, slow pulling speed. Use a hot iron with steam (if suitable for fabric). Ensure fabric is appropriate for holding a crease.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Fabric jams inside the maker.	Fabric is too thick or has frayed edges; pulling too quickly.	Use a lighter weight fabric. Trim any frayed edges before feeding. Pull the fabric through slowly and steadily.

SPECIFICATIONS

- **Model Number:** 464
- **Manufacturer:** CLOVER
- **Product Dimensions (Package):** 5.7 x 2.1 x 5.8 inches
- **Item Weight (Package):** 4.9 ounces
- **Finished Tape Sizes:** 6mm (1/4"), 12mm (1/2"), 18mm (3/4"), 25mm (1"), 50mm (2")
- **Material:** Durable plastic and metal components

SAFETY INFORMATION

WARNING: NOT A TOY - ADULTS ONLY.

These tools are designed for adult use in crafting and sewing. Keep out of reach of children. Exercise caution when using with a hot iron.

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

Clover products are manufactured to high-quality standards. For any questions regarding the use, care, or performance of your Clover Bias Tape Makers, please contact Clover customer support directly. Specific warranty details may vary by region and purchase location; please refer to your purchase documentation or the official Clover website for the most current information.

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