



## Pleating by Mail with *Amberlane & Amberpetites*

**If you like to smock but don't own a pleater and would rather not pick up dots, you can now take advantage of Amberlane's "Pleating by Mail".**

- Fill in the order form with clear instructions as to what you want pleated and where.
- Print off the order form with your credit card information (for payment for the pleating and the return shipping) along with your mailing address. Pack up your fabric and the form.
- Please note fabric is often bulkier after pleating. I will do my best to keep the return parcel as condensed as possible but please use a bag large enough to allow for this increased bulk when sending out your fabric. Your pleated fabric will be returned as quickly as possible by surface post.

### **Terms and Conditions:**

If at all possible, prewash and press your fabric. Remove selvages if they are bulky or tightly woven. If you are cutting out a pattern piece, please do not use pinking shears or zigzag the raw edges!

Tell me what you are making – a bishop, a yoked garment or an insert (or other – a sketch would be helpful or a photocopy of the pattern front). The Brand and the Name of the pattern you are making, e.g. Jilly Bean's "Hope", can be helpful to me when faced with something unfamiliar.

For a yoked garment, pencil in the armhole curve. Do not cut out armhole curves. If you are planning a continuous placket in the garment, please only pencil-in the location and leave the skirt in one piece. Plackets should be added after smocking is finished.

For a bishop, if you are doing plain seams, they should be pressed open.

If you are doing French seams, they can be no wider than 1/8th inch and should be stitched from the neck down to where the underarm curve starts.

If you want me to do the French seams to the armhole curve so the garment can be pleated, include a fee of \$2.00/seam. (E.g. \$8.00 for four seams found on a normal bishop).

Please note your seam allowance at the neckline (or the top edge of a skirt where it attaches to the yoke) and how many rows you want. It is strongly suggested that you allow for one row inside the seam allowance and one row extra at the other end to act as a control rows. For example, if your seam allowance is 1/2" and your design plate requires 8 rows of gathering threads, the first row will be at 3/8" and I would pleat a total of 10 rows. But you must specify how many rows you want.

Label your garment pieces with their name on the right side of the fabric so there is no question about which side is up or what I am pleating.

If you want the sleeves pleated, please mark where you want the pleating located and if you want single or double-spaced rows.

Package your fabric in a padded envelope that can be reused for the return shipping if possible.

Most parcels are automatically insured for \$100.00 but check at your P.O.

Please include a label for the return shipping. It is strongly suggested that you ship your fabric so the parcel has a tracking number. As good as the postal service is, sometimes parcels go astray and having a tracking number is helpful. But the choice is yours.

I will contact you by e/mail to let you know your parcel is on its way home!!

Please include your e-mail and phone number in case I have a question about your instructions.

### **Pleating Fees:**

\$0.60/row/piece for straight fabric such as skirts for yoke garments, straight sleeve cuffs.

\$1.00/row for Bishop necklines or other seamed pieces.

\$2.00/seam for stitching partial French Seams to allow for pleating.



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**Order Form**

Name of pattern and company you are using: \_\_\_\_\_

| Garment Style: | Number of rows: | Number of Pieces:   |
|----------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| Basic Yoke     | x \$0.60        | x _____ Pieces =    |
| Bishop         | x \$1.00        | x _____ Pieces =    |
| Insert         | x \$0.60        | x _____ Pieces =    |
| Sleeves        | x \$0.60        | x _____ Pieces =    |
| Other          | x \$0.60        | x _____ Pieces =    |
|                |                 | <b>Total:</b> _____ |

How far down from cut edge to first gathering thread: \_\_\_\_\_

Armhole seams to be sewn: \$2.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

Additional information if any would be helpful:

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**Subtotal:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Grand Total:** \_\_\_\_\_

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Province/State: \_\_\_\_\_

Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Area Code & Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card: \_\_\_\_\_

Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiry Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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