

If the pattern has a double line around it, the seam allowances are included.

Note: By default, seam allowances are NOT included (single line) and will need to be added when laying out and cutting details.

Seam Allowance: 1 cm on all seams; hem guidelines are printed on pattern.

Important! Please print all the paper patterns and lay them out at the width of fabric you plan to use (usually from 90 to 150 cm) to see how much fabric you will need.

Don't forget to take into account pieces to be duplicated or cut on a fold. When sewing the garment, pay attention to notches. They must match up with corresponding pieces.

2516 Dress with a Loose Front Overlay

Recommendations on fabric: natural/mixed knit fabric of small stretchiness in contrasting or similar color.

You will also need: fusible interfacing; dress zipper.

CUTTING:

The word, "beam" used on some patterns means "straight of grain". Some pieces will be cut on the fold, this is noted on the pattern piece. Mark all notches and other design features such as darts, pleats etc. from the pattern onto your fabric.

Seam allowances: all seams 1 cm; seam allowance along the hem of dress and hem of sleeve, along the center edge of fly piece, along the neckline of left front and right front – 2 cm.

Main fabric:

1. Upper left back – cut 1
2. Upper right back – cut 1
3. Upper left front – cut 1
4. Upper right front – cut 1
5. Sleeve – cut 2
6. Back neck facing – cut 2

Main fabric 1:

1. Lower left back – cut 1



2. Lower right back – cut 1
3. Lower front – cut 1
4. Fly piece – cut 1

Fusible interfacing:

1. Back neck facing – cut 2

INSTRUCTIONS:

Advice: sew knit pieces with special elastic/zig-zag stitches. If you use an overlock, cut seam allowances to 0.6-0.8 cm width. Topstitch hem allowances with double needle to save elasticity.

1. Apply fusible interfacing to the facings. Also apply fusible interfacing to the neckline edges of the upper front pieces.
2. Sew the upper right back to the lower right back. Press the seam allowances upward and serge. Sew the upper left back to the lower left back. Press the seam allowances upward and serge.
3. Serge the center back edges separately. Sew the center back seam from the zipper marking to the lower edge. Press the seam allowances open and insert the zipper.
4. Sew the dart on the front and press the dart excess upward.
5. Serge the neckline edge of the upper left front. Press the seam allowance to the wrong side and topstitch. Sew the left upper front to the right upper front. Press the seam allowances toward the right side and serge, continuing to serge up to the shoulder seam. Press the neckline seam allowance of the right upper front to the wrong side and topstitch.
6. Form and baste the pleats on the overlay piece. Serge the center and lower edges, press them to the wrong side, and topstitch. Pin the overlay piece to the lower front and baste along the upper and side edges. Sew the upper front to the lower front. Press the seam allowances upward and serge.
7. Serge the outer edge of the back neckline facing. Pin the neckline facing to the back and sew the neckline exactly to the marked shoulder seam line. Clip the seam allowances, turn the facing to the wrong side, and press.
8. Sew the shoulder seams, placing the front between the back and the facing. Press the seam allowances toward the back and serge. Slipstitch the facing to the zipper tape.
9. Sew the side seams. Press the seam allowances toward the back and serge.
10. Sew the sleeve seams. Press the seam allowances toward the back and serge. Set the sleeves into the armholes, matching the notches and distributing the ease evenly. Serge the seam allowances and press.
11. Serge the hem allowance of the garment and sleeves. Press them to the wrong side and topstitch.

Congratulations – your dress are finished! :)