

KARLOVA *UNCLE KAM'S* **UTILITY BELT****Materials:**

For the front and back panels and pocket fronts I used 5 oz leather. For pocket gussets, 3-4 oz medium temper (soft will be good too). For the pocket flaps and belt, 6 oz. For the straps I used same 6 oz leather that I skived on the ends, you can use something around 5 oz so you won't need that much skiving. Everything I used was chrome tanned but veg will work too.

Hardware:

1 x 1 1/4" O-ring (you can use 1" D-ring alternatively)

1 x big swivel hook with 3/4" eye

1 x hoof pick (you can use another O- or D-ring alternatively)

1 x 10" zipper

1 x 1 3/4" double prong buckle (depending on the prongs you may need to adjust the hole position on the belt)

Rivets

Snap (I used Line 24 for pocket flaps and a smaller S-spring one for hoof pick additional strap)

Tools:

Scissors, knife (paper knife or rotary cutter would also work).

Stitching irons: my pattern is made for 5mm stitching irons (5 stitches per inch). If you are willing to use any other size please make sure that the hole count is the same where it has to be the same.

Needles - according to your thread size, a pair of harness needles.

Mallet, rivet setter, snap setter, hole punch.

1/2" round corner punch or hole punch for zipper opening

Instructions:

Print the pattern at actual size (100%). Use the reference on top of each page to make sure everything is printed correctly. Join the pages together. Cut the pieces.

Grab the back panel. Glue the zipper in its position. Stitch it on.

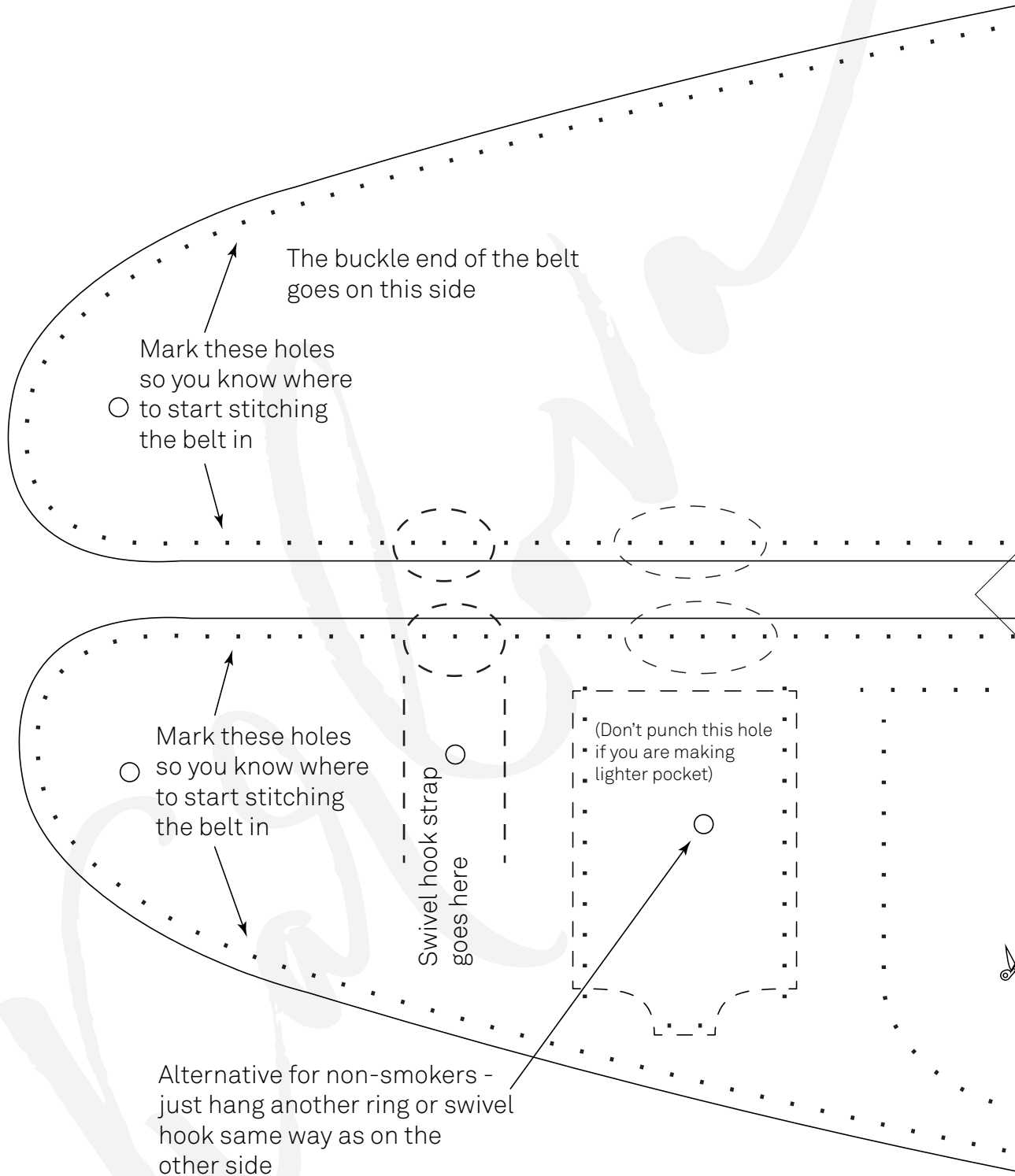
Take the pocket fronts and install the snap posts on them. Then sew the gussets on them with overlapping stitch, fronts being on top and gussets are sewn to the flesh side below.



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A-1

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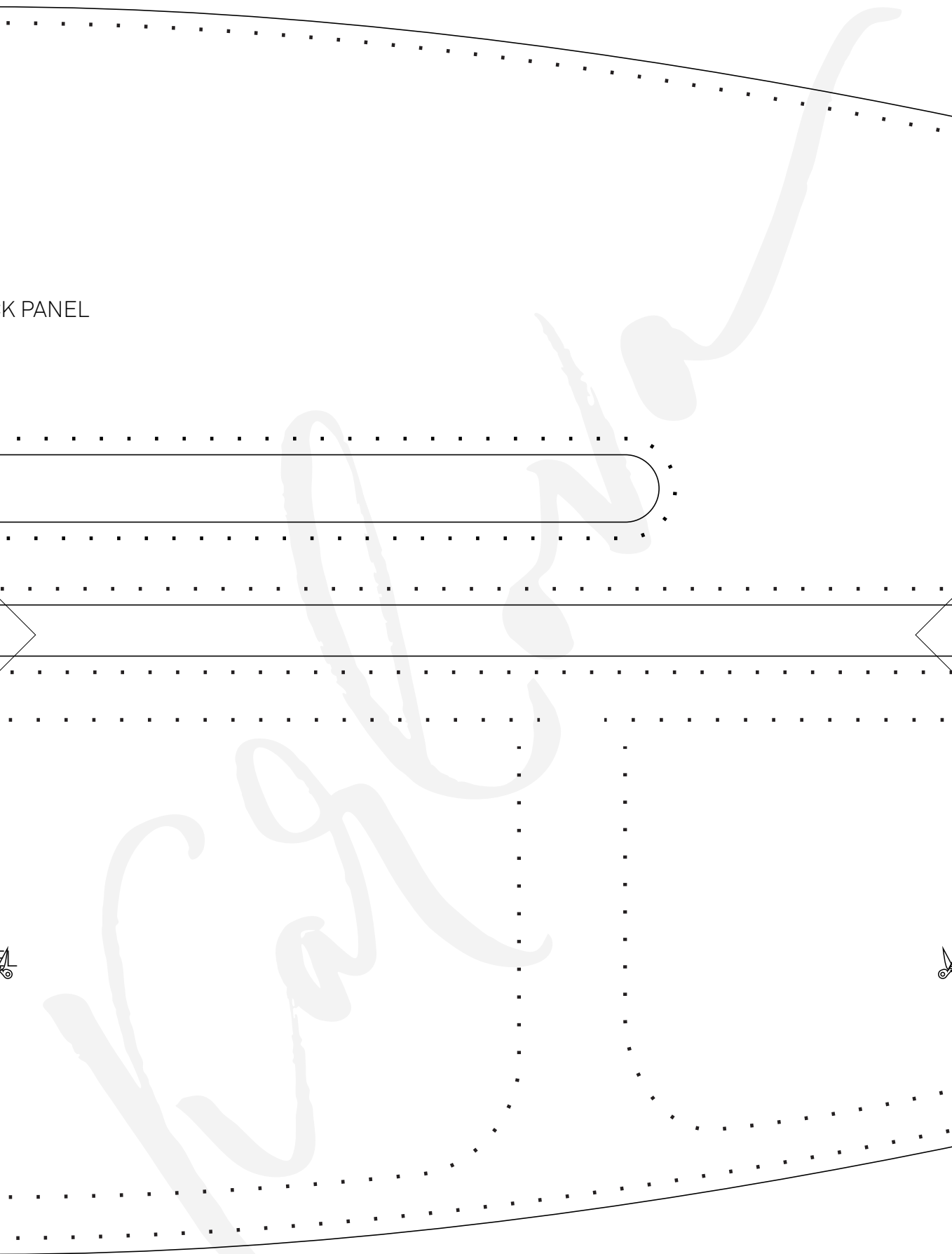
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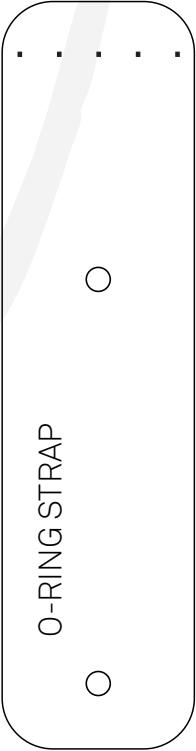
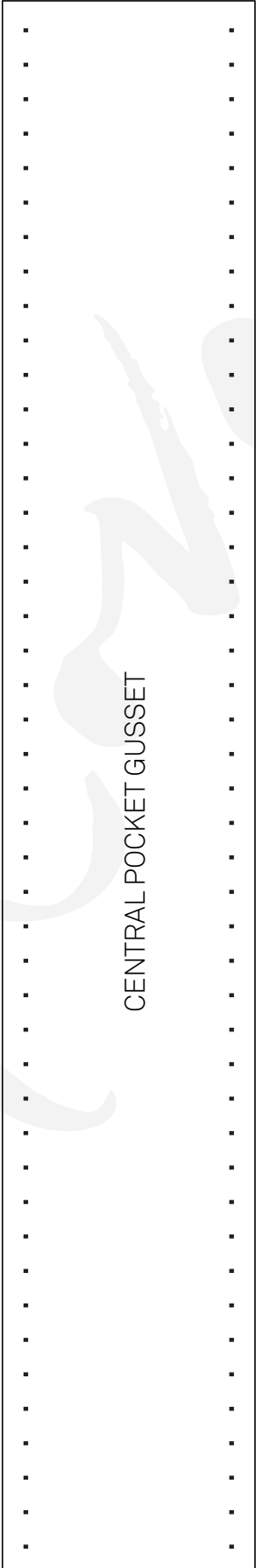
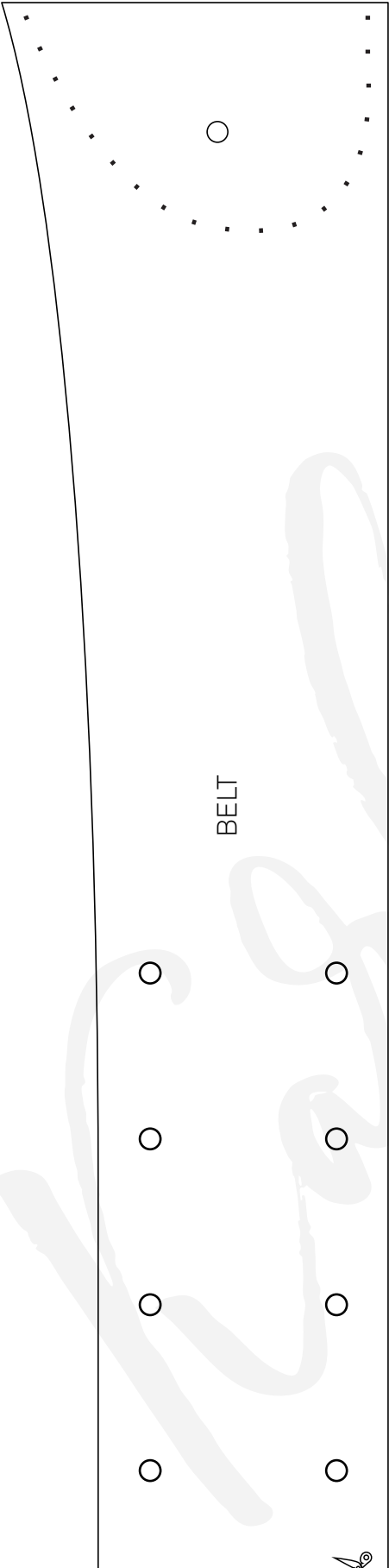
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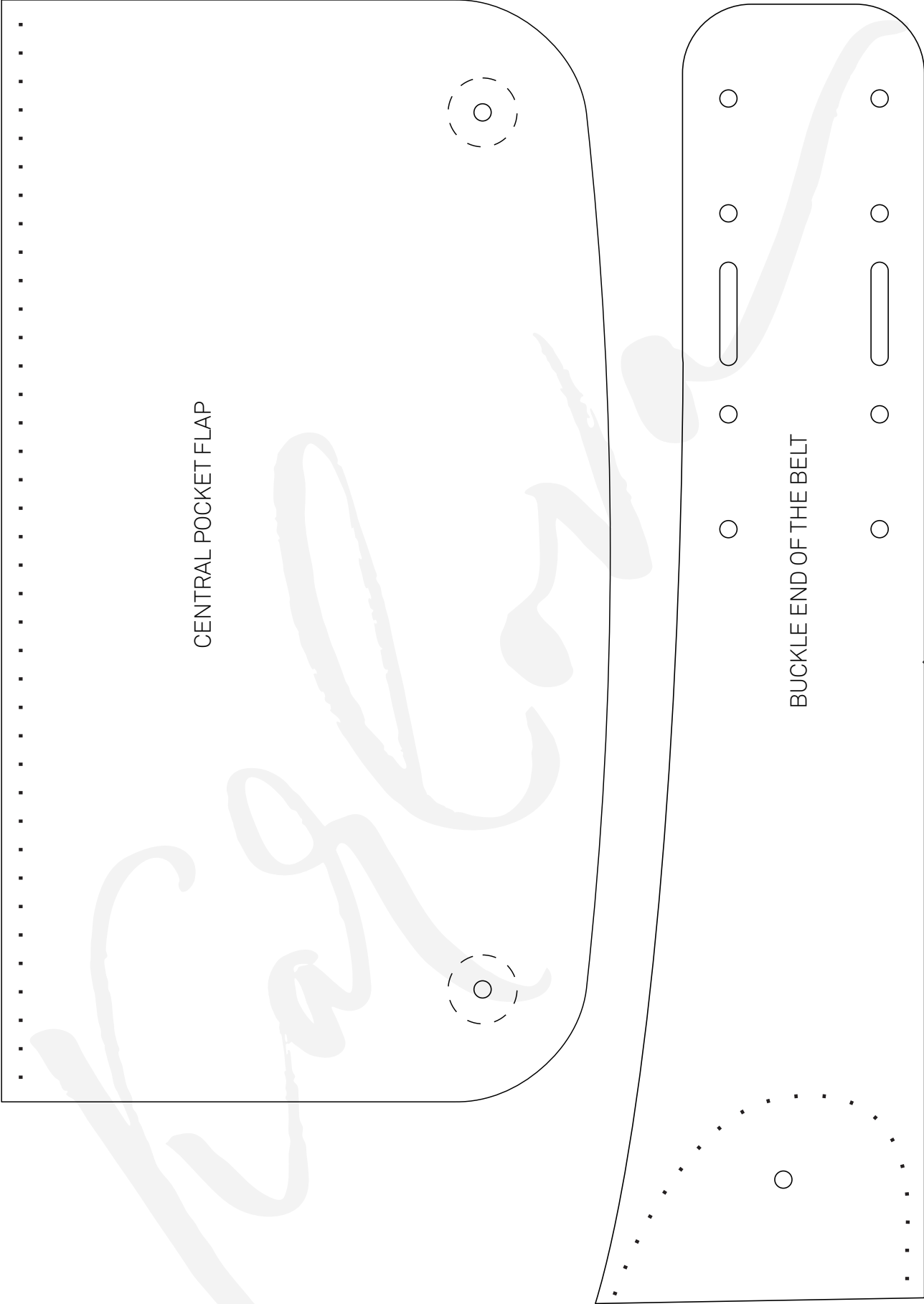




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B-1

1in 2in 3in



0cm 1cm 2cm 3cm 4cm 5cm

B-2

1in 2in 3in

CENTRAL POCKET FRONT

LIGHTER POCKET
FOR LIGHTERS IN
A SLEEVE

LIGHTER POCKET
FOR LIGHTERS
WITHOUT SLEEVE

0cm 1cm 2cm 3cm 4cm 5cm

B-3

1in 2in 3in

RIGHT POCKET FLAP
(Right for the person wearing
the belt, if you are just looking
at it, it's left)



RIGHT POCKET FRONT



SIDE POCKET GUSSET (Either left or right, they're the same)

LEFT POCKET FLAP

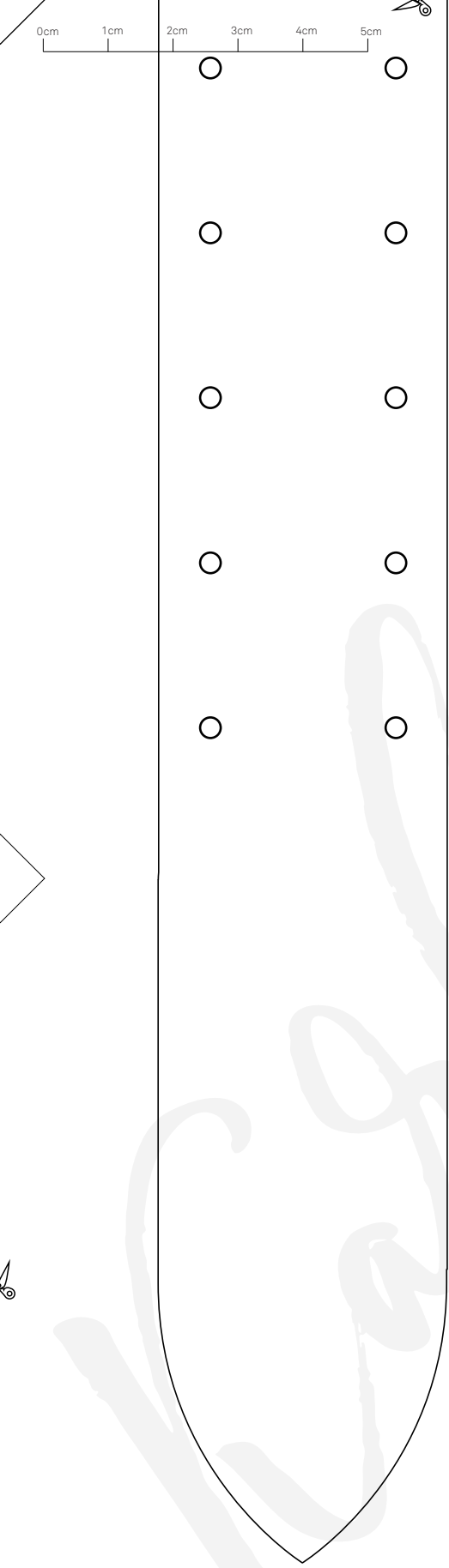
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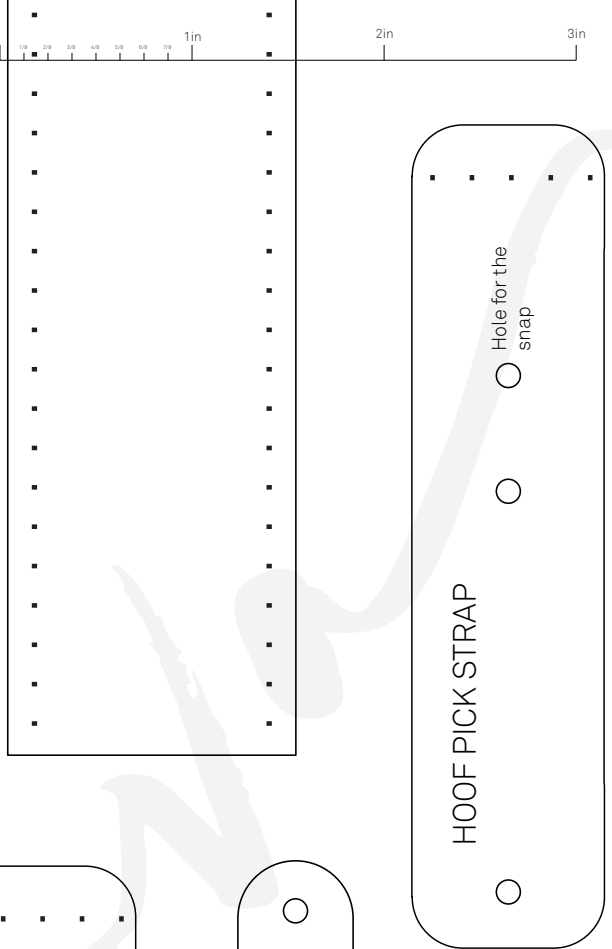
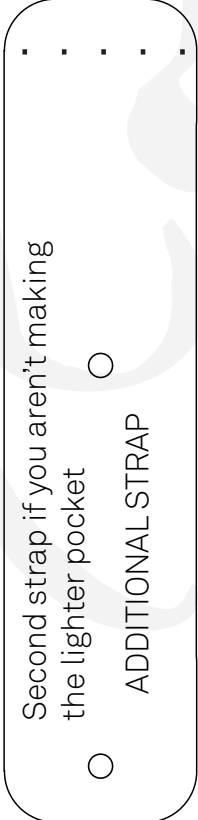
LEFT POCKET FRONT



SIDE POCKET GUSSET (Either left or right, they're the same)



B-5



Stitch the pockets on the front panel. Note that the first and last stitch go over the edge of the gusset to secure it. Same with flaps.

Install the snap sockets on the flaps. Stitch the flaps above the pockets grain to grain (see picture above).



Lighter pocket: you have options here, if you don't want the lighter pocket you can attach another D-ring or whatever you want with an alternative strap. See instructions on how to install those straps.

Note that on my pictures the lighter pocket is on the left, but most of the people will want to have it on the right side so I changed this on the pattern. You can also swap the positions of the straps if needed.

If you are making the lighter pocket then choose the size that you want, the one that's meant for the lighter that has a sleeve on it (my case) it is slightly larger. Pocket is designed to fit a big BIC lighter. You may adjust the size if you use different lighters.

First, sew the bottom stitch as shown on the picture, grain to grain. Then complete the side seams.

Attaching the straps:

Before setting the rivets, you have to complete the top seam and insert the straps in it. Refer to the marked holes on the top seam for this and see the picture on the next page. If you are using thick leather for straps (which is logical) I recommend that you skive the ends to reduce the bulkiness. Refer to the marked holes to align the panels right.

After you complete the top seam, time to attach the straps and hang the hardware on them. Refer to the pictures on how to do that. The hoof pick additional strap is attached below the hoof pick strap on the same rivet, grain side down. It is intended to keep the hook in the folded position when not in use. Don't forget to install the snap post on the hoof pick strap before assembling.

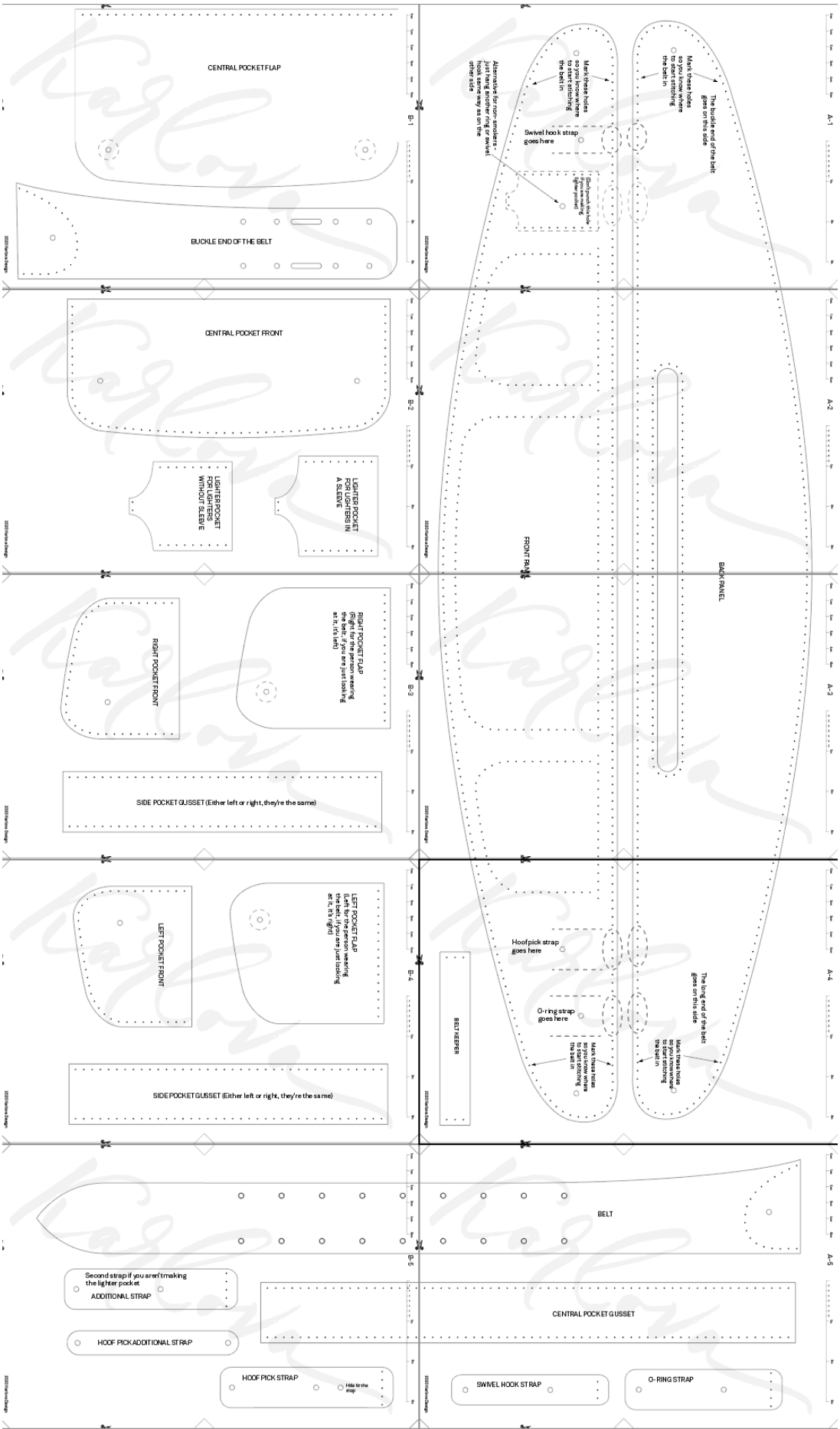


Line up the holes that I hope you had marked on your leather (those that indicate where to stitch the belt in) and complete stitching the rest of the belt together inserting the belt ends between the front and back panels.

Sew the belt keeper on the buckle side of the belt. You need to put it around the belt and then stitch it because probably (depending on your buckle) it would be hard to stitch it first and then put it on.

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