

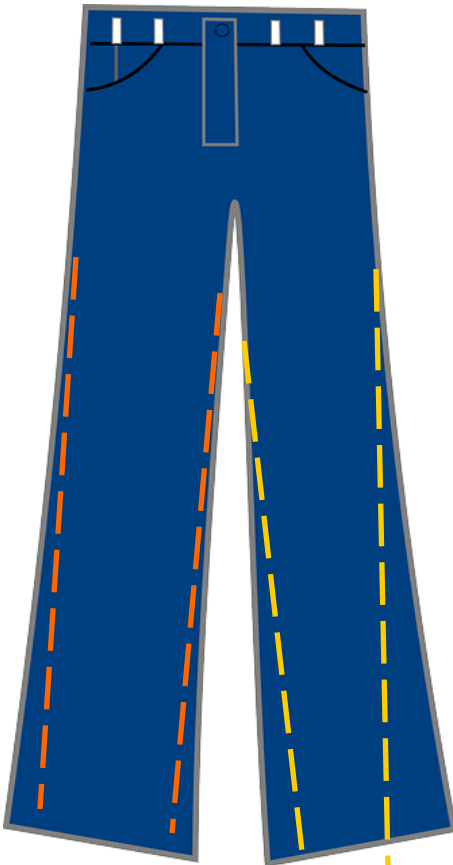


TAPERING TIPS

But First...

- Use safety pins to mark your lines if tapering your own pants.
- Never just sew a seam line. Always take apart the legs front from back to adjust the seam allowance.
- Draw or mark your new seam line on the back of the pant (inside) only.
- The bulk of the pants is always in the back leg. Keep this in mind and your taper will always be true.
- Always divide the amount you want to take in by 2. You will take in too much if you take in the entire amount on both inside and outside seams.

- *Does it look proportionate?*
- *Is this width flattering?*
- *Is it appropriate for the event or office wear?*



Hot Tip

Skinny—7 to 8 inches at the leg opening

Tapered— Leg opening should measure 12 to 15 inches