

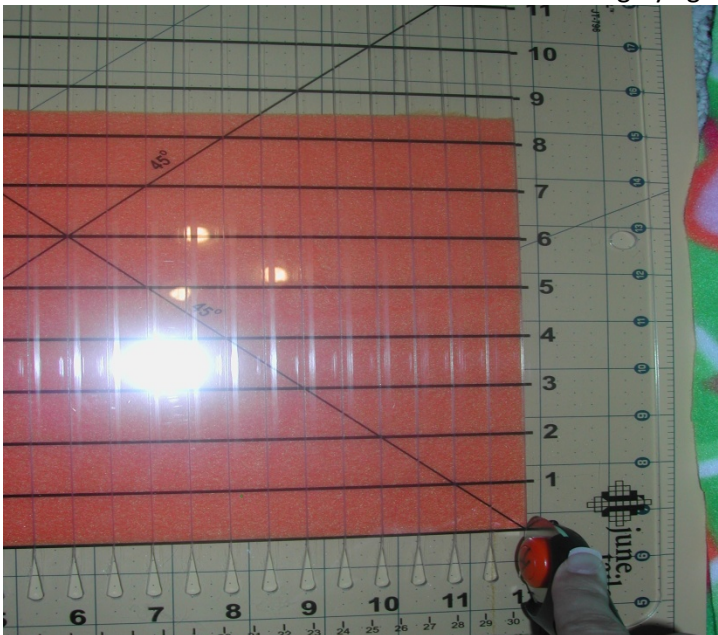
Karen and Karina's Fleece Fringe Method (1/2 inch wide)

1-Holes for fringe. Cut off selvage (sewed edges/wording on two blanket edges). Lay fabric straight/smooth on cutting mat. The line of holes around edges will be approx $\frac{3}{4}$ inch in from edge of fabric. On ruler or tape, mark dots every $\frac{3}{4}$ inch. (ie: $\frac{3}{4}$, $1\frac{1}{2}$, $2\frac{1}{4}$, 3) Each hole made will be a line approx. $\frac{1}{4}$ inch long, with approx $\frac{1}{2}$ inch between each hole. If holes are too close, possibility of tearing or bunching occurs. Using the smallest rotary cutter, do NOT roll, but push straight down firmly to make hole directly where the dot aligns. Do all four sides.



Beware: when you get to the corner, put the final hole at least $\frac{3}{4}$ " from the edge. The other direction needs to have a hole, and ripping or bunching will occur when the two holes are too close.

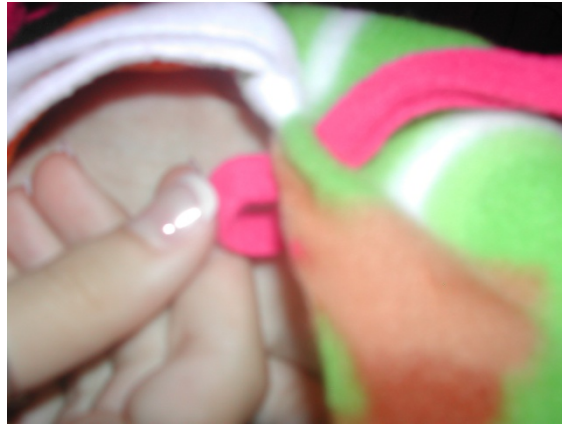
2-Cut Fringe. Test fabric by pulling from a corner. Lay fabric so stretches go sideways. Cut fleece material in long rows 8 inches tall for the length of the fabric. Lay row on cutting mat with measuring mat on top. Roll large rotary cutter along each $\frac{1}{2}$ inch groove from bottom to top pressing firmly. After cutting that group, move measuring mat and gather strips. Clean/scrape off cutting mat after every few groups or mat becomes full of fleece fuzz and won't cut thoroughly again.



Beware: The 8 inch strips MUST NOT be stretchy from top to bottom, or fringe frays, stretches unevenly, and falls apart after washes.

Using 8 inch strips is best for hospital blankets (equipment, tubes or cords get tangled if longer) but strips can be made any desired length for other purposes.

3-Loop fringe. Take fringe strip and fold in half. Slide loop with fold DOWN through hole on TOP of fabric about 1 inch. Open loop. Wrap over the two ends and tuck two ends through loop. Pull ends and slide through until loop neatly binds at fabric edge.



Make sure fabrics TOP side (it has clear designs) is in correct position when begin fringing. Nice knots should be pulled tightly but NOT bunching or rippling fabric.

Blankets look more vibrant or distinguished when many accent colors for fringe are used.

This method can be used for double-sided fleece blankets. Simply tack two blankets together (TOP sides on outside!) Make sure they are lined up and of equal measurements. When cutting fringe holes, push down hard and careful, and cutter will cut through both pieces of fabric. Loop fringe through the same way, but be careful to keep both holes lined up throughout fringing process.

