

Replacing the Fabric on your Curling Broom

Replacing the fabric on your broom can cost next to nothing and after a couple times will only take a couple minutes of work. This is especially useful to do once or twice a year to all your club brooms; keeping the ice clean and saving the club hundreds of dollars.

Materials:

- [1000D Cordura Urethane Coated Fabric](#)
- [Upholstery Duty Staple Remover](#)
- [Needle Nose Plier](#)
- [Rotary Fabric Cutter](#)
- Heavy Duty [Pneumatic](#) or [Electric](#) Staple Gun (Hand powered hasn't worked well for us)
- ¼ inch Staples
- Marker, ruler/straight edge.
- [Plastic Coated Magnets](#) (optional)



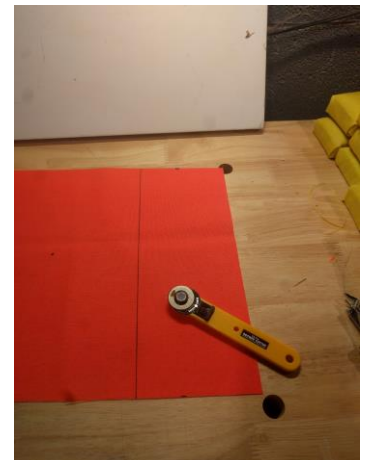
Step 1. Remove old Fabric.

- Use the staple remover to pull the old staples from the broom head. This process is the same no matter if you have a wooden or plastic base.
- Occasionally a staple can break using the staple puller. Use the needle nose pliers to remove the broken pieces from the broom head.
- The magnet is very useful for collecting the used staples and keeping your work area clean of old staples.



Step 2. Cut New Fabric

- Lay the just removed old fabric on top of your new 1000D Cordura Urethane coated fabric.
- Mark the width and length of your old fabric. Use a straight edge and marker to mark a rectangular piece of fabric. Leaving an extra ¼ inch is a good idea, especially on your first few broom heads. It can always be trimmed later if needed.
- Use the rotary cutter to cut the fabric along the trace lines. *BE CAREFUL ROTERY CUTTERS ARE SHARP*



Step 3 Attach New Fabric

Lay the pad in the middle of the fabric.



Trim the corners off the fabric if your pad is oval.



Staple one side in the middle and then near the bolt holes. Pull the fabric tight and staple in the middle then near the bolt holes on the other side.



Tuck and staple the fabric around one end being sure the fabric is snug.



Tuck and staple the other side pulling the fabric snug. Staple the perimeter of the pad pulling the fabric tight.



If any staples did not firmly staple into the base replace them now. Inspect the front of the pad that the fabric is tight and smooth.



You are done. Good curling!