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Purse, Clutch, Black Leather

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RCMP VIEWING SAMPLE

A viewing sample, when available, will be supplied to the successful bidder.

This will be used for the guidance of the manufacturer in all factors not covered by this specification or referred to therein. Variation from the specification may appear in the sample in which case the specification must govern.

It may be obtained from:

Royal Canadian Mounted Police
ATTN: Uniform and Equipment Program
(440 Coventry Road, Warehouse Building)
73 Leikin Drive
Ottawa, Ontario
K1A 0R2

It will be sent “prepaid” and is to be returned “prepaid”.

The viewing sample must be returned to the RCMP in the same condition as received by the manufacturer. Lost or damaged viewing samples must be replaced by an identical item or the RCMP must be reimbursed for the cost of an acceptable replacement.

SPECIFICATION
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1. Definitions

- 1.1 This specification must govern the manufacture and inspection of the Purse, Clutch, Black Leather. The specific item covered under this specification with stock number is as follows:
- i. 2350-009 Purse, Clutch, Black / Pochette noire
- 1.2 This specification, viewing sample, drawing or other information issued in connection therewith, may only be used for specific enquiries, solicitations, or orders placed on behalf of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.
- 1.3 This specification supersedes all previous specifications for Purse, Clutch, Black Leather.
- 1.4 This specification has been translated into French from this original English language document.

2. Applicable Specifications

- 2.1 The following publications are applicable to this specification and to the issues in effect on the date of the solicitation, unless otherwise specified.
- 2.2 **General Services Administration – US Government**
Commercial Item Description
 A-A-59826A Thread, Nylon
- 2.3 **American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM)**
 D5053-03 (R2015) Standard Test Method for Colourfastness of
 Crocking of Leather
 D6075-13 Standard Test Method for Cracking Resistance of
 Leather
- 2.4 **International Standards Organization (ISO)**
 17131:2012 Leather – Identification of leather by microscopy

3. **General Requirements**

- 3.1 The article or material covered by this specification must be free from material and manufacturing defects that may affect its appearance or serviceability. In all particulars not covered by this specification or contract documents, production must be equivalent in all respects to the pattern and viewing sample.
- 3.2 **Design** – The clutch purse must have one section with an inside pocket and a snap closure. It must be in accordance with the drawing attached and forming part of this specification and the viewing sample.

4. **Detail Requirements**

4.1 **Components**

- 4.1.1 **Leather** – The leather must be full grain chrome tanned cowhide. Dry hides must not be used. The finished leather must be thoroughly tanned and be firm, tight fibred and mellow. Loose or pipy leather will not be accepted. It must be free from slaughter cuts, damaged grain, open scratches, open grub holes, brands or heavy fat wrinkles. Light well-healed over scratches or grub holes and light wrinkles that do not affect appearance will be accepted in the finished leather. The grain side must be stained black with a stain that will penetrate below the grain surface. A durable and colourfast finish must be applied on top of the stain. Reconstituted, split, pressed or patent leather will not be accepted. The finished leather must be firm and tight fibred with no signs of cracking. The flesh side must be free from loose flesh and must be buffed to a smooth natural finish. The leather thickness must measure from 0.8 mm to 1.0 mm. The leather must meet the physical requirements in Table I.
- 4.1.2 **Lining** – The lining must be cotton backed vinyl, black in colour, and 0.80 mm ± 0.2 mm in thickness.
- 4.1.3 **Padding** – The padding must be polyurethane foam 3 mm in thickness.
- 4.1.4 **Slider Fastener** – The slide fastener shall be closed-end coil type with DF non-locking slider, black in colour, 5” in length. Only YKK 12430 CIFC 51 DFL1 E 5/8 must be used.

- 4.1.5 **Stiffener** – The stiffener must be chipboard or grey paper with a thickness of 0.25 mm to 0.45 mm.
- 4.1.6 **Snap Fastener** – The snap fastener must be steel, brass plated with a lacquer finish and must be round in shape and dimensioned and constructed in accordance with the drawing.
- 4.1.7 **Thread** – The thread must be twisted multifilament bonded nylon, left twist, Type II, Class A, size E (Tex 70) with a minimum breaking strength of 9.0 pounds in accordance with U.S. government standard A-A-59826A, black in color to match the leather.
- 4.1.8 **Mirror** – The mirror must be 5 cm x 7 cm with a thickness of 0.2 cm ± 0.1 cm. The finished edge of the mirror must be smooth with no sharp burrs or edges.
- 4.2 **Size and Dimensions** – The clutch purse must be shaped and dimensioned in accordance with the drawing and the viewing sample.
- 4.3 **Construction**
- 4.3.1 **Stitching** – The stitching must be lockstitch using the thread specified in para. 4.1.7. The assembled purse clutch must be stitched between crease lines, as shown in the drawing. The number of stitches must be between 3 and 4 per centimeter. The loose thread ends must be trimmed off close to the leather. Burning or "flaming off" the thread ends is not permitted. All single topstitching must be sewn using a 3 mm gauge.
- 4.3.2 **Assembly** – The component parts must be shaped and dimensioned in accordance with the drawing and the viewing sample. A rubber based cement must be used where indicated on the drawing and must cover the entire surface. All seams are to be cemented prior to stitching. There must be a two compartment pocket, one of which must be equipped with the slide fastener specified in para. 4.1.4 for closure. The pocket must be dimensioned and positioned on the back lining in accordance with the drawing and viewing sample. There must be a mirror as specified in para. 4.1.8 inserted into the pocket with the slide fastener.
- 4.3.3 **Marking Label** – Each clutch purse must have a durable label positioned and sewn to to the inner compartment. The text must be permanent inks of a contrasting colour and must withstand the life of the garment with no apparent change in

appearance. All text except for the RCMP stock number must be in size 6 font. The RCMP stock number must appear in size 8 font. The manufacturer's identification must not appear anywhere on the garment except where indicated on the label. The label must contain the following information in English and French:

1. RCMP stock number - reference contract documents. (Ex. 2350 009)
2. Date of manufacture, in numeric format year/month (Ex. 2018/11)
3. Your manufacturer identification (Company name or number).

5. **Quality Assurance Provisions**

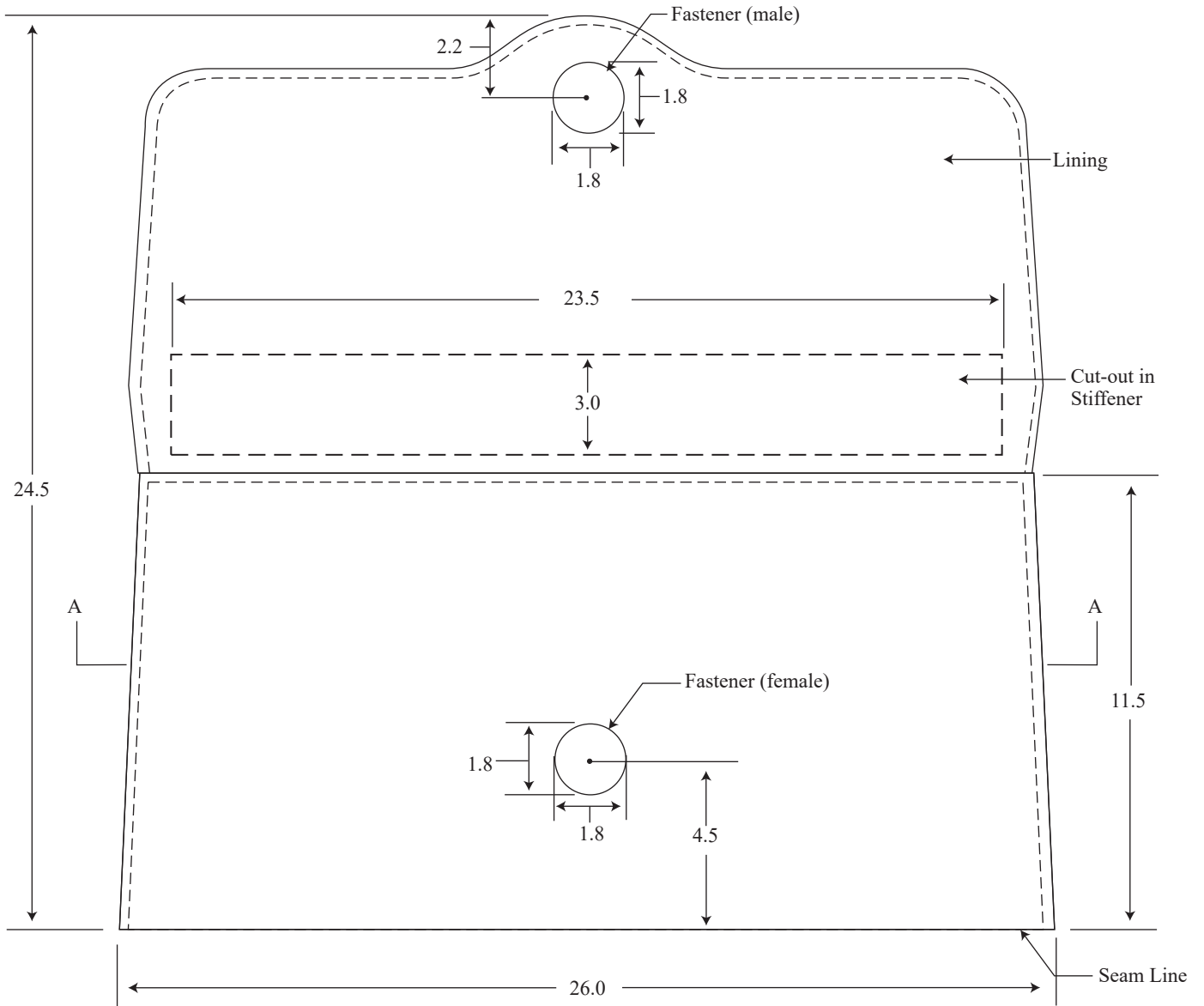
- 5.1 **Responsibility for Inspection** – Unless otherwise stipulated in the contract, it is the prime contractor's responsibility to satisfy the RCMP, Uniform and Equipment Program that the material and services being supplied conform to this specification. This may be accomplished by performing the tests specified in this specification or by demonstrating to the satisfaction of the RCMP, Uniform and Equipment Program that conformity to this specification of manufacturing processes is assured. The contractor must use a commercial testing establishment.
- 5.2 The RCMP, Uniform and Equipment Program reserves the right to perform any inspection considered necessary to ensure the material and services conform to the specified requirements. For the purpose of inspection, a portion of each delivery not exceeding two percent or two out of any number delivered under 100 may be put to tests that could destroy the articles. If found to be inferior or not in accordance with this specification, all articles so destroyed must be replaced by others of proper quality and pattern at the expense of the contractor. The entire delivery may also be rejected if it is found that articles previously rejected due to non-repairable defects are redelivered for inspection.
- 5.3 The contractor will be promptly notified when any articles are not accepted and such articles will be returned at the contractor's risk and expense.

Table I Leather Requirements			
	Property	Requirement	Test Method
1	Identification of Leather	Full Grain bovine	• ISO 17131: 2012
2	Crocking	Good	• ASTM D5053-03 (2015)
3	Cracking, 11 mm mandrel	None	• ASTM D6075-13 (Procedure 1, Para. 4.1.1)

Drawing 1

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Opened View

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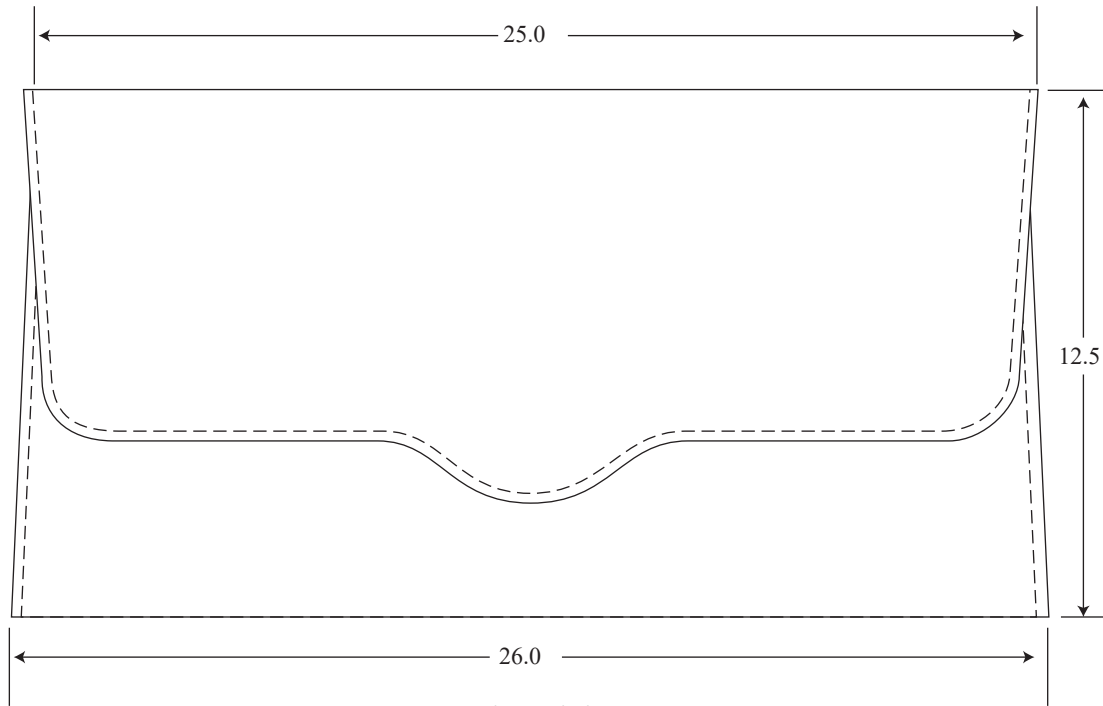
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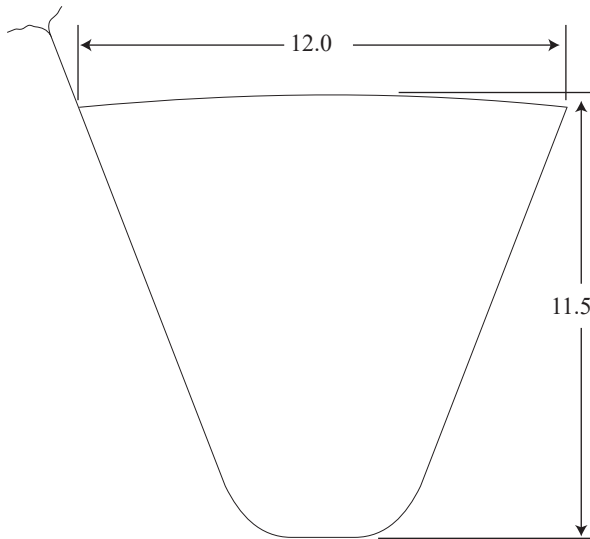
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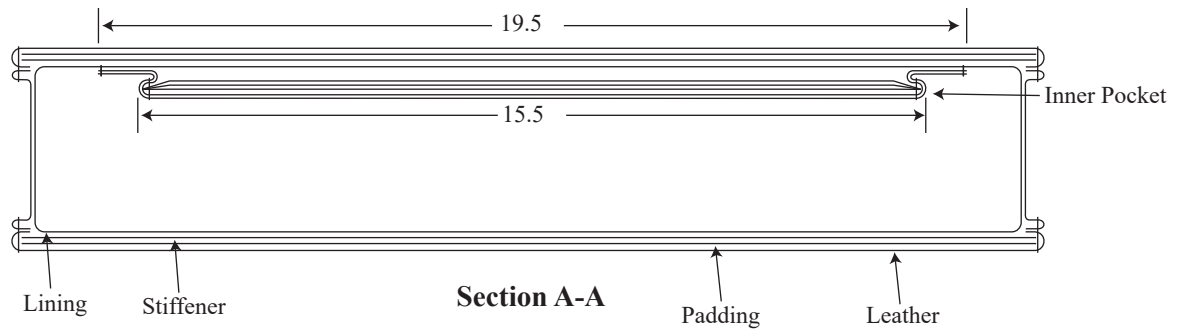
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Front View Finished



View of Gusset



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