

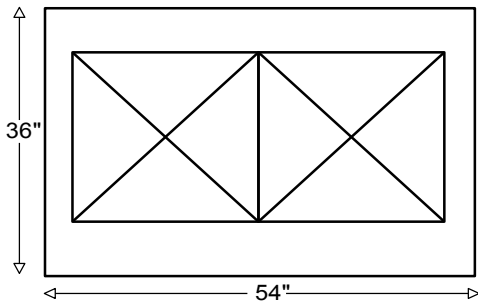
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### Calculating Leather Requirements

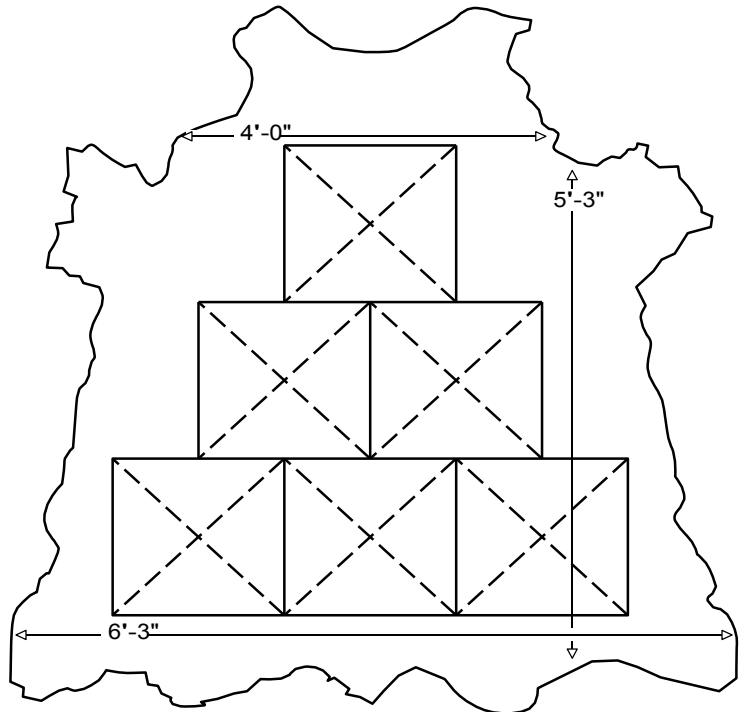
By industry standards, one running yard of fabric = 18 s.f. of leather. Although there are actually 13.5 s.f. in a running yard that is 54" wide, the additional 4.5 s.f. in the formula accounts for the waste factor, since hides are irregularly shaped. The term "usable square feet" already takes into account the waste factor, so that it is unnecessary to add to the amount required.

The following example demonstrates why six (6) 24" x 24" seat cushions require 54 s.f. of leather rather than 24 s.f. (6 cushions x 4 s.f.).

Example: 6 Chair Seats, 24" x 24", each requiring 1/2 yard of fabric



2 chairs per yard of fabric  
Total: 3 yards



18 s.f. per yard of fabric  
3 yards x 18 = 54 s.f.