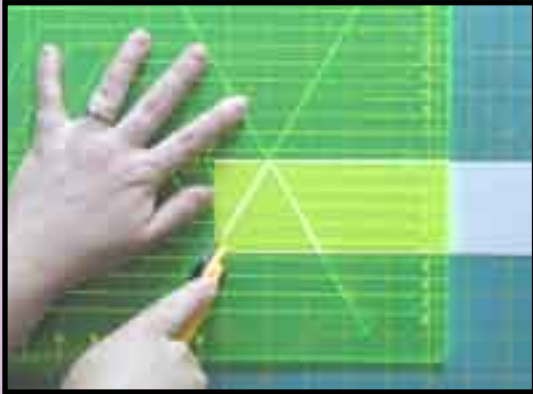
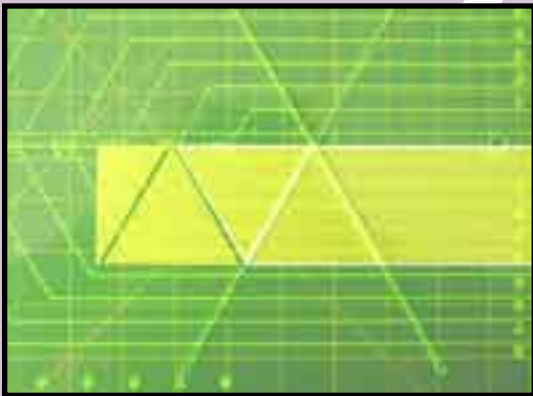


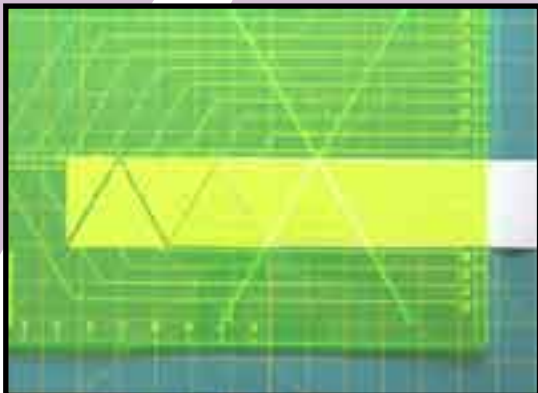
60° Triangle Cutting Technique



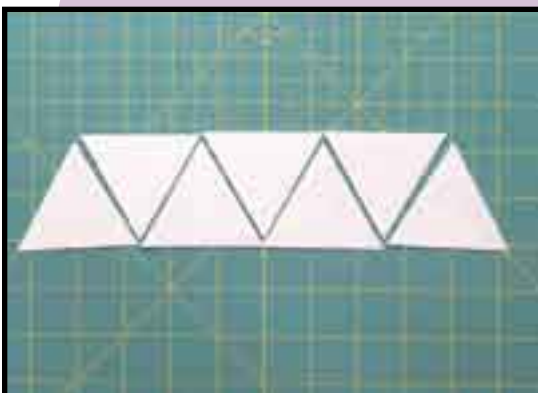
This technique is a little different – instead of centering your strip, align the TOP edge of your fabric along the engraved CENTER line, one edge goes down the middle of the 'X' along the centerline, another along one of the numbered lines (or parallel to it, see the picture). Cut the strip end off with your rotary cutter; this makes the beginning of your first triangle.



Make your second cut in the 'X'. Make sure you keep the strip parallel to the lines engraved on the template. This cuts your first triangle free, and makes the first cut on your next triangle at the same time! This picture shows the first pair of cuts made, and the template moved for the second pair of cuts.



Slide the template down the fabric strip, when the edge of the 'X' meets the bottom point of the triangle, **as shown in the picture**. stop and make your next set of cuts. Be sure your fabric is on the centerline. With a little practice you can cut several layers at once, dramatically speeding up your cutting. This takes you from cutting to sewing MUCH faster than any other method available!



This picture shows seven triangles cut out from the fabric strip. These were all cut in about 10 seconds, with the template in a total of four positions. HINT: Triangles are just as easy with wider fabric strips. Simply keep your fabric strip parallel with the horizontal lines. This keeps your 60 degree cut channels in position. After making your first cut, slide the Mercury Template down the fabric strip until the opposite channel lines up to connect the point.