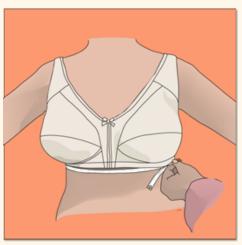




# How to Measure for ABC Bra Size?

#### 1. Measure for the Band Size:



- Measure circumference at Bra Band.
  - Measurement should be snug.
  - Have patient hold arms at sides or on hips while you measure the circumference.
- Add either 4 or 5 inches to the circumference measurement to achieve an even number.

### 2. Fitting Tip: For the patient who presents in a wheelchair



- Some patients can stand even if they cannot ambulate
- Its OK to ask patient if she can stand
- If patient cannot stand, measure her while seated
- If seated, do not add extra to the chest circumference measurement

## 3. Measure for the Cup Size



- Measure from the center of the sternum, over the apex of the natural breast, under the arm, to the center of the spine.
- Measurement should be taut, not snug.
- Double the measurement.
- **4. Difference:** Calculate the difference between the cup measurement and the band measurement. The difference determines the cup size.

Difference	Cup Size
0"	AA
1"	А
2"	В
3"	С
4"	D
5"	DD
6"	DDD

### 5. For example:

— If the Band measurement = 30"

— If the Cup measurement = 18"

• Band measurement: 30" + 4" = 34" (add either four or five inches to achieve an even number)

• Cup measurement:18" x 2 = 36"

• 36" - 34" = 2"

• Bra size to start with: 34B

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0"	AA
1"	А
2"	В
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5"	DD
6"	DDD

6. Fitting Tip: If the bra band measurement is 38" or more, only add 1-2" instead of 5".

• For example: If the band measurement is 44" only add 2" i.e. 46" is the Band measurement (44+2).

• Or, the patient may wear a 44".

### 7. For Bilateral Surgeries:

- Take band measurement.
- Ask what cup size she wore prior to surgery. She may choose to be bigger or smaller, but her new Cup size should be proportionate to her body.
- Never assume she will need two of the same size or shape of breast form.