

# Congratulations are in order!!!

You are among a minority that actually stop and take the time for this important step!

## \*\*\*WARNING\*\*\*

**Page Scaling must be set to NONE**  
To ensure that **Page Scaling** is set to **NONE**  
In Adobe Reader, click **File, Print**  
In the **Print** dialog box, under **Page Handling**  
set the **Page Scaling** option to **None**  
If this is not done, the size of the chart can be **seriously altered** and **cause severe sizing problems!**

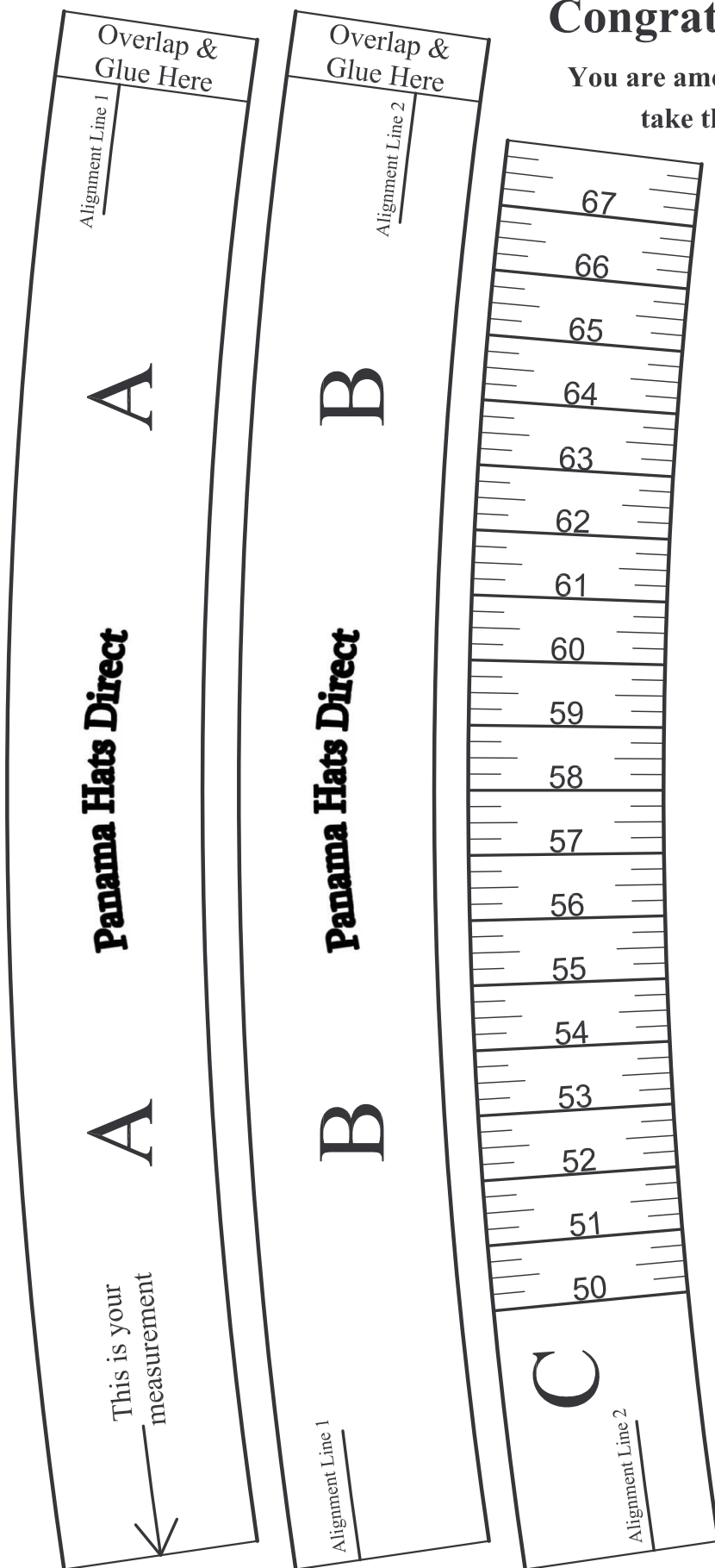
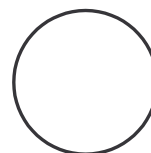
### *This is not just a tape!*

This tape is designed to fit the **natural curve** of your head and to **simulate** the way the leather sweat band of the hat will lay on your head. As well, this is the same tape we use to build your hat! That is important because it assures that we are both on the same page, so to speak, thus insuring accuracy.

Considering that this tape is a simulation of the leather sweat band pull the tape to the point you **feel comfortable** just the way you would like your hat to fit and we will build it just that way for you!

**Please follow the instructions carefully.**

If you have printed this correctly, a penny should fit perfectly within this circle. You should be able to see the line.



# Panama Hats Direct

## Instructions for Assembling the Panama Hats Direct Sizing Chart

### **When assembling the sizing chart:**

- Cut carefully along the edges. Ideally, split the black line down the middle.
- Line up cutout A to cut out B at Alignment Line 1 and tape or glue together.
- Do the same with cutouts B & C using Alignment Line 2.

### **When Taking the measurement:**

- It is best to have someone else mark the tape since it is hard to do alone.
- Align it just above the ears where the leather sweat band of the hat would naturally lay and mark the tape.
- **The Logo should be Upside down** when you have the tape on your head.

### **Other thoughts:**

Tape or glue the measuring tape at your size and then put on and off to see how it fits, and feels. You may find that your size isn't exactly to a full line. There are graduated marks on the chart for  $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{3}{4}$  sizes. Please **round off to the nearest graduation** and let us know by adding a comment in the comments box at the end of the checkout process, (below where you put your credit card information).

For example: 58.25 for  $\frac{1}{4}$ , 58.5 for  $\frac{1}{2}$  and 58.75 for  $\frac{3}{4}$ .

We will custom build your hat to fit you! So take your time with this and it will fit like a glove. It will also avoid any problems that could possibly occur from relying on a "Hat Size" or taking a hat size from another hat, or worse yet trying to measure a good fitting hat... that never comes out the way you would think. It is very difficult to measure a **HAT** accurately so please **MEASURE YOUR HEAD**, not the hat!

**If this is a gift** and you want to keep it a secret then you can use the tape measure on the hat itself but please use this as a **last resort**. Measure inside **using this tape** and then **ADD  $\frac{1}{2}$  a centimeter (.5)** to the size you get from the inside dimensions. The tape is in centimeters, so if for example the tape reads 57 then the size would really be 57.5 The **inside measurement** is always half a centimeter smaller than the **ACTUAL** measurement when measured this way, so you need to increase the measurement by that amount.

This tape measure is built in centimeters (cm) primarily because it is what we use in Ecuador; but more importantly, this tape is actually taken directly from our cutting table. This means that you can be assured that the tape you have constructed is identical to the measuring table we use to cut your leather sweat band on and build your hat around, so you are assured a perfect **custom fit**.

Also please do not add anything to the measurement perhaps thinking you need to adjust for the size of the leather band or something like that. Give us exactly what the measurement says and we'll make the necessary adjustments.