Replacing Seat Covering

Tools needed: Two 7/16" wrenches, One 1/2" wrench, Side cutter pliers (or a screwdriver & pliers), Staple gun.

Place chair on bench up side down. Using two 7/16" wrenchs, remove the four bolts holding the base on. Remove the base and set right-side up away from the work area.

With one hand rotate the swivel mechanism until the bolts holding it on the seat, are visible. With the other hand, use a 7/16" wrench to remove these four bolts. Remove swivel mechanism.

With one hand hold the back plate. Use a 1/2" wrench to remove the two remaining bolts on the back plate. Set aside the back.

Next remove all of the staples from the existing cover. Side cutter pliers work very well, but a screwdriver and regular pliers could be used. Remove the old cover. Do not replace the new cover over the old one.

Use the back plate holes to reference the back. Place new cover inside-out on top of seat making sure the seam is centered on the back of the chair.

Pull the seat cover down over the cushion working your way around the cushion. Make sure the seam is centered on the back of the seat. Pull down snug. Carefully position the top seam as pictured above.

Staple the new seat sewing on. As you work your way around the seat, pull the covering tight and make sure the fabric is laying smooth on the side of the cushion.

This is the proper technique for corner treatments.

Next replace the back plate. Using a 1/2" wrench, replace only the two back bolts for now. Tighten securely.

Align the swivel to the three holes in the plywood and one hole in back plate. Using a 7/16" wrench install the four long bolts. Tighten securely.

Next, insert the four shorter bolts up through the the slots in the swivel.

Align the base with the four bolts. Use two 7/16" wrenches to tighten. Tighten securely.

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