

## Preparation instructions

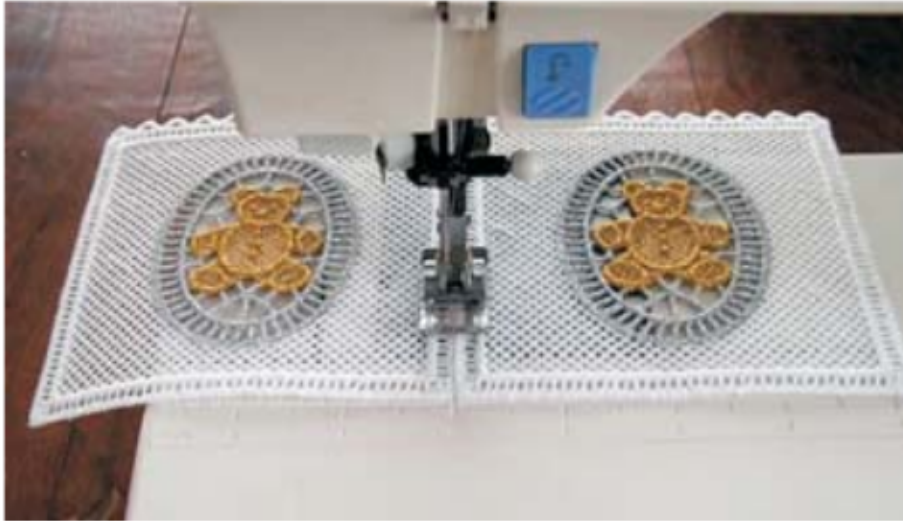
In order to prepare the light shades **you have to stitch each embroidery design twice**. Stitch out the designs as any other freestanding lace embroidery. Make sure you have stabilized the design well using suitable water-soluble stabilizer.

After you have finished stitching out, cut away the excess stabilizer. Place the designs in water to remove the visible traces of stabilizer but do not leave them too long.

Get the components out of the water, place them carefully on a towel and let them dry.

Once they are dry - iron them. Do NOT iron them directly. Cover the embroidery with a soft fabric instead.

**First connect** the 2 parts of the shade from one side using a **zig-zag machine stitch**.



Connect the the other sides with manual stitches using invisible thread or with the same thread you used to stitch out the #1 color.

This will be easier if you wrap the design around a suitable cylindrical object (e.g. make a tube from thick paper).

After finishing the connecting stitches - leave the shade for some time on the cylinder so that it gets better shape when the stabilizer stiffens.



**Warning: Please excercise caution when using shades with light sources. Make sure that shade does not come too close or in contact with hot surfaces or flames. Do not leave lit candle/light unattended.**