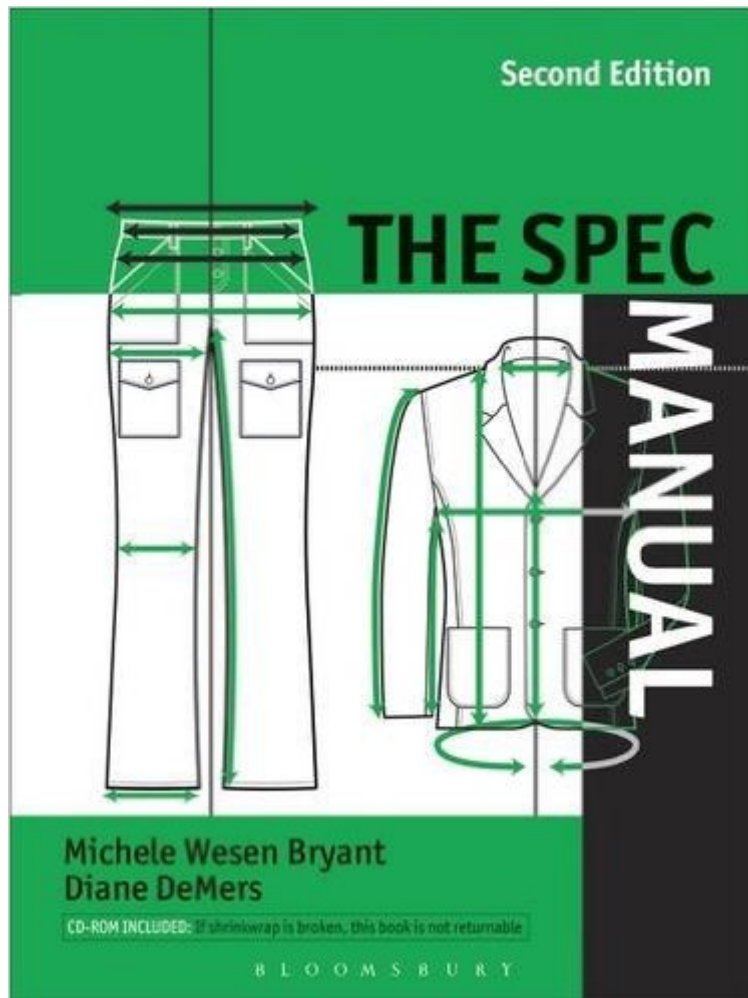


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A comprehensive, user-friendly guide to the skills and techniques for measuring garments and creating spec sheets. It's an excellent resource book which provides the fundamentals for building, developing, streamlining your flats and specs library. It's a neat and concise reference book you would find so useful that you would like to own and keep at hand at all times. Furthermore, the enclosed CD-ROM makes it even more versatile for it offers you the possibility to save, send, print, alter (and carry!) all the information. I find it extremely helpful.

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I purchased this book for a class and I did not expect for it to be as pig of a help as it was. I have had a problem resizing patterns in the past and this book gave specific resizing information that made this purchase well worth it.

This book is great for anyone new at drawing flats and specs, or if you have been in the industry for years, it is a great brush up. I have also taken a class by one of the authors and she made flats easy...just the way the book does it!

This book is comprehensive and exactly what I was looking for when I landed a job as an assistant spec writer at a major design company. I had done a spec sheet - once - at school. After reading this manual, I felt comfortable measuring things and using all the correct abbreviations. Having the excel sheets is awesome, and the clip art included can create a lovely symbols library for easy designing. I also like having an entire set of body templates for flat sketching handy. This is much more than a spec manual - it's like several reference books and worksheet books in one - and it never runs out b/c it's all printable from the included CD!

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