TALIT GADOL: DESCRIPTION

Talit Gadol: Size

The minimum size for a <u>talit gadol</u> is so you could put it over your head and wrap your body in it (even though this is not how you must wear it!).

Talit Gadol: Material

A <u>talit gadol</u> (or a <u>talit katan</u>) must be made from at least 51% natural fibers.

Talit Gadol: Color

A talit should be primarily white. Here are some details:

- A <u>talit gadol</u> should be either all white or white with black stripes. Avoid a very colorful <u>talit</u> that makes the white part look insignificant.
- Blue stripes used to be used: as with <u>techelet</u>, the blue reminds us of the sky, of God's throne (<u>kisei</u> ha'kavod), and of God.
- Even though the *talit* was originally supposed to have blue stripes, it is not the custom today to use blue stripes.
- Black stripes have no significance or importance.

Talit Gadol: Tzitzit Placement

Like all *tzitzit*, *tzitzit* on a *talit gadol* must hang over the edge of the *talit* and not hang down from the bottom (see diagram).



The tzitzit should hang down along the vertical border (screen left/model's right side)