

Contour for Fabric or Paper

Start a new page in Corel Draw. Select your text tool. Click anywhere in your page and type your text. Change the font style and size as you wish. Change to your pick tool and make sure that your text is selected with nodes around it. Change the color of the outline of the letters to red by using your right mouse button to click on red. Using the left mouse button on the no color icon above the color black, this will remove the fill.

The icon under the text tool on the left hand side tool bar is called the Interactive Blend tool. Click on the black arrow in the lower right corner of that icon, you will see a flyout menu. Select the second tool from the left, the Interactive Contour tool. This will bring a special tool bar at the top of Corel. There are 3 icons to the right of the size readout that are to contour to The Center, The Inside or The Outside. If you hold your mouse on each icon, it will identify it. Click on the Outside. To the right of this is the Conour Steps. Change number to 1 for 2 layer or 2 for 3 layer. To the right of that is the Contour Offset try .15". Press Enter.

Your file is now ready for the laser. You will set one power and speed for red and another one for black. This will give you a kiss cut and a cut through.