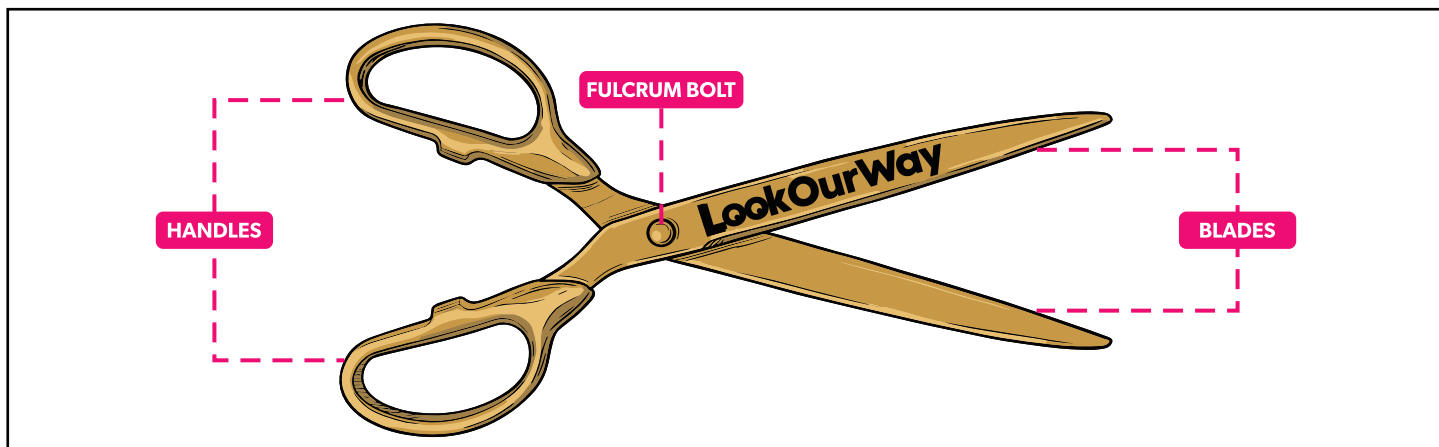


These scissors are made for one big moment. A little practice and simple care will give you a clean, confident cut — and a great photo — every time.

Applies to: 25" and 45" ceremonial scissors • Carbon steel blades with silver or gold electroplated finish



01 BEFORE THE BIG DAY

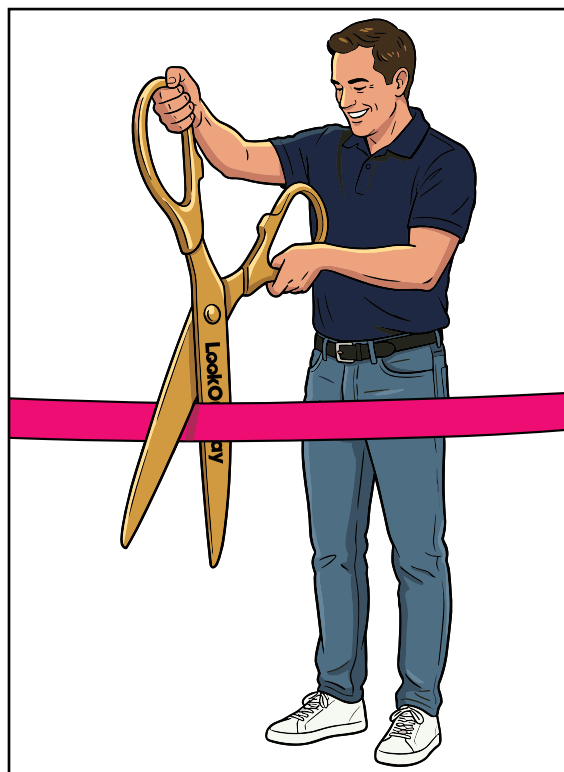
Practice first. Before the event, make a few practice cuts on a spare piece of ribbon. Our sublimated ceremony ribbon works best. Practice helps the person cutting get a feel for the weight and motion of the scissors.

Hold the ribbon tight. Have two people hold the ribbon firmly at each end. A loose ribbon folds between the blades instead of cutting.

02 HOW TO CUT THE RIBBON

- 1 Hold the scissors with **both hands**, especially the 45" size. Open them about $\frac{3}{4}$ of the way.
- 2 Place the ribbon edge near the **crossover point** of the blades (where they meet).
- 3 Stand so the scissors are **perpendicular to the ribbon** (at a right angle).
- 4 Start the blades on the **top edge** of the ribbon, with the blades straight up and down.
- 5 Make **one smooth cutting stroke**. Do not slam the blades closed too quickly.

PHOTO TIP Pose with the blades open on the ribbon and pause for photos. Then make the cut.



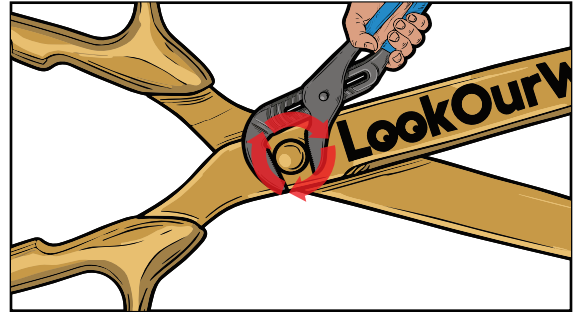
03 ADJUSTING BLADE TENSION

The fulcrum bolt (the pivot where the blades join) controls how tightly the blades press against each other.

- **Tighter:** blades press together more firmly.
- **Looser:** blades open and close more easily.

Out of the box, the scissors should cut cleanly. If the ribbon folds or tears, make a small adjustment — about a quarter turn — then test again on a practice ribbon.

Tools: a crescent (adjustable) wrench or channel lock pliers. Wrap a soft cloth around the tool jaws so they do not scratch the plated finish.



04 CLEANING THE BLADES

DO

- Wipe the blades with a clean, dry microfiber cloth.
- For stubborn marks, use a damp cloth with a little mild dish soap (like Dawn).
- Dry the blades completely right after cleaning. The steel under the plating can rust if left wet.

DON'T

- Use alcohol or other solvents.
- Use abrasive pads, steel wool, or powdered cleaners. They scratch the silver or gold plating.
- Soak the scissors or put them in a dishwasher.

05 LUBRICATION

Put a small drop of sewing machine oil on the fulcrum bolt, then open and close the scissors a few times to spread it. Wipe away any extra oil.

AVOID: Do not use solvent-based lubricants such as WD-40. They can leave a sticky residue that attracts dust and dirt.

06 STORAGE & HANDLING

- Store the scissors closed, clean, and dry.
- When not on display, keep them in the **original box with the foam insert and top protection**. Save all packaging for this.
- Store in a dry place. Humidity can cause rust where the plating is worn or scratched.
- Handle with clean, dry hands. Skin oils can leave marks on the plated finish.
- Carry and pass the scissors with the blades closed and the handles first.
- Blades can be sharp. Keep out of reach of children when not in use.

