

Israeli Bag

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Introduction

In the last few years, Israeli citizens are forced to behave differently than in the past, in several situations. This behavior refers to the internal security in the country, which forces us to certain behaviors. The entrance to every public place in Israel, without exceptions, forces the enterer to open his personal bag and present it in front of a security man. The security man will then look into the bag, touch the things inside it, and based on the information that he gained from the check up, will decide if the person checked has or does not have permission to enter the public area. This procedure takes time (the amount of time depends on the size of the bag or the number of bags a person is carrying), thus causing long lines in the entrances. But above all this, it creates an unpleasant and a little embarrassing feeling when a stranger has to put his hands and go over my personal belongings.

The product: A series new of hand bags

In designing these set of hand bags (presented below is one of them), I am trying to offer a solution to this problem. Every bag has two different openings: one for the bag owner, for him to put things in the bag or take things out; and another opening, different from what we are used to, for the security man. The last opening is designed in a way that allows a simple and fast action. This opening shows the whole contents of the bag at once, so there is no need, if not necessary, for the security man to put his hands inside the bag in order to feel the things he can not see at first sight.

A bag with blinds

In the example presented below, a shutter covers the front surface of the bag, allowing an easy open and closing. Using the shutter as a facade symbolizes the act of peeking inside a private territory. A window in a house is actually an

opening, separating between inside and out, and looking through it, one can see the happenings in the house or from the house. Like our house, the hand bag which we carry around is personal, and if a stranger is interested in looking through it, it is only proper that he looks through some kind of partition, instead of shoving his hand and by that touching personal belongings.

