

You have a choice in *kote* construction. You can either have the underside sewn up shut to form a tube, or leave it so that the *kote* can lay flat, as seen in the pattern.

If you make the tube variety, the edging tape will only be along the top end and along the wrist and hand

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section, obviously.

If you make the flat variety, you will find it easier to apply the mail and plates to the surface, and easier to snugly secure the *kote* to your arm. On the other hand, the tube variety is perhaps easier to make.

As with the suneate and haidate,

there are three layers of fabric, but you might want to include an additional layer of batting to help pad the sleeve.

It is best to not cut out the *tekkô* until the arm is cut and formed so that the placement and sizing will be precisely as you need.

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