



## Museum Textile Services

### Sheer Overlay Score Card

Score each type of overlay you are considering for your project from 1 to 3, with 1 being the lowest score and 3 being the highest. If the answer is yes, write in 3. If the answer is no, write in 0.

**Object:** Quilt with brown squares

|  | Nylon net | Polyester sheers | Silk crepeline |
|--|-----------|------------------|----------------|
| <b>Variable factors:</b>                     |           |                  |                |
| Transparency/weight                          | 2         | 3                | 2              |
| Sheen/finish                                 | 2         | 2                | 3              |
| Matching color available<br>(no need to dye) | 3         | 3                | 3              |
| Matching drape                               | 3         | 3                | 3              |
| Matching fiber content                       | 0         | 0                | 0              |
| <b>Sub total</b>                             | <b>10</b> | <b>11</b>        | <b>11</b>      |
| <b>Non-variable factors:</b>                 |           |                  |                |
| Ease of dyeing                               | 2         | 1                | 3              |
| East of cutting/finishing                    | 3         | 2                | 1              |
| Lightfastness/colorfastness                  | 2         | 2                | 1              |
| Availability                                 | 3         | 3                | 2              |
| Cost   | 3         | 2                | 1              |
| <b>Sub total</b>                             | <b>13</b> | <b>10</b>        | <b>8</b>       |
| <b>Final score</b>                           | <b>23</b> | <b>21</b>        | <b>19</b>      |

Add both sub totals together to get the final score for each category. The overlay with the highest score is often the best choice.

NB: In some cases there is a single consideration that outweighs all others when choosing an overlay, such as availability or the need for custom-dyeing.