



# HOW TO MEASURE WINDOW TREATMENTS

For all measurements, use a steel tape measure only.
Measure to the nearest 1/8".

## Horizontal Blinds:

### 1 Choose Mount Type



**Inside Mount** window treatments are installed inside the window casing.



**Outside Mount** window treatments are mounted outside the window casing and provide better privacy. Mount directly on the wall or to the window molding.

### 2 Measure



For **inside mounts**: Measure the inside of the window frame in **3 places** for width and height.



For **outside mounts**: Measure the **overall area** to be covered.

### 3 Record Measurements



For **inside mounts**: Record the narrowest width and longest height.

For **outside mounts**: Add extra inches (approximately 3") to the width and height for optimum light control and privacy.

## Vertical Blinds:

### 1 Choose Mount Type



**Inside Mount** window treatments are installed inside the window or door casing.



**Outside Mount** window treatments are mounted outside the window casing. Mount directly on the wall or to the window or door molding.

### 2 Measure



For **inside mounts**: Measure the inside of the window or door frame in **3 places** for width and height. For height, measure from the bottom of the casing to the top of the window sill (or to the floor for patio doors).



For **outside mounts**: Determine the location of the headrail. Measure, from the top of the headrail, the **overall area** to be covered.

### 3 Record Measurements



For **inside mounts**: Record the narrowest width and shortest height.

For **outside mounts**: Add extra inches to the width (3-6") for optimum light control and privacy, or if you want the entire window uncovered when the blind is fully open. To ensure vanes clear the floor, deduct 1/2" from the height measurement.



# MOUNTING CONSIDERATIONS:

## Why Choose an Inside Mount?

Clean look: Allows for showcasing attractive window or door molding.




**THINGS TO CONSIDER:**

- Deductions and Light Gaps: A small deduction in width and/or length is taken to ensure proper operating clearance. This gap may affect the treatment's ability to darken a room.
- Obstructed Views: When fully opened, the stack (compressed portion of the window treatment) will obstruct part of the view from your window. Stack heights will vary by product.
- Architectural Obstacles: Obstacles such as handles and cranks can interfere with the operation of the inside-mount treatments.
- Depth Considerations: Be sure your window meets the minimum depth requirements for installation. Varies by product.

## Why Choose an Outside Mount?

Improve Privacy and Light Control: Light gaps on the side of window treatments can be substantially diminished or eliminated.

Fewer Installation Limitations: Ideal for covering non-square windows or if you want an unobstructed view when fully opened.

Fewer Architectural Obstacles: Clears obstacles like handles and cranks.




**THINGS TO CONSIDER:**

- Mounting Surface: Requires at least 2" of flat surface above window or door frame for mounting brackets. Projection brackets can be ordered, if needed, to clear frame molding.
- Deductions: The manufacturer does not take deductions on outside mount installations, so measure accurately.

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