Innovative Openings Measuring Guidelines

Before You Come to the Showroom	Take photos of your windows!	Get a rough measurement of each window	Decide which side you would like the operator to be on.
At the Showroom	Bring your photos and rough measurements!	We'll work with you to determine the best mounting option for your project.	We will do our best to provide expert advice to ensure a proper fit.*
At home or your location	These guidelines are meant to be a general overview. We will do our best to provide expert advice to ensure a proper fit, but all window coverings are custom made to the dimensions you order and cannot be returned or exchanged.		

Inside Mount or Outside Mount?





Inside Mount (IM) – Shade fits within the window frame or jamb.





Outside Mount (OM) – Shade overlaps window opening.

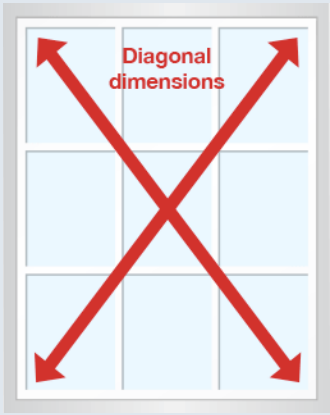
Be sure to add desired overlap amount to total ordered width and height when ordering an outside mount shade.

Good to Know:

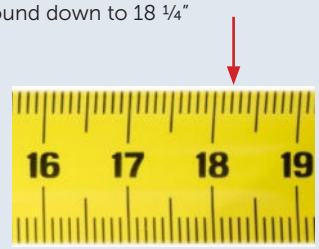
Every window opening is unique.

Very rarely do two window openings have the same measurement.

Do not assume a window is square! Measure the opening diagonally in both directions; if the 2 measurements are not equal, an outside mount is recommended.



Example:
between 18 ¼" and 18 ⅜", round down to 18 ¼"

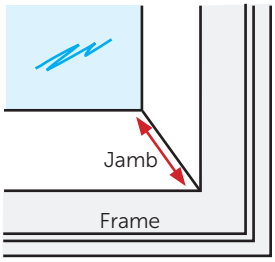


Products are ordered to the nearest 1/8"; round DOWN to the nearest 1/8" if your is between 1/8ths.

Accuracy is Critical Measurements must be exact to ensure a proper fit.

Horizontal Blinds

(Wood Blinds, faux wood blinds, cellular shades, roller shades)

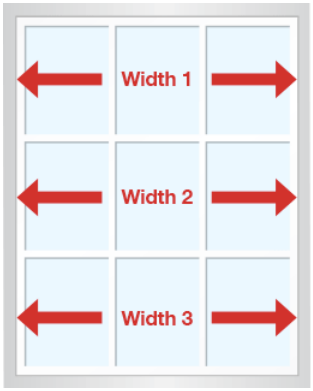


Inside Mount (IM)

Measure the jamb or frame depth to be sure the window opening is deep enough to install the mounting bracket; make note of any obstacles, i.e. handles, tracks, or cranks that could interfere with the blind function. Use the shortest depth.

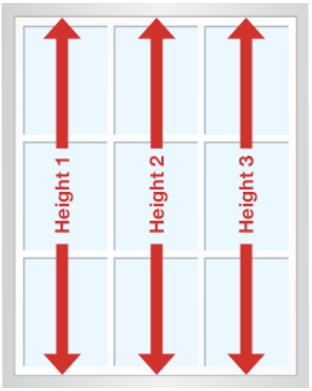
Measure the width of the opening at the top, middle, and bottom.

TAKE NO DEDUCTIONS; factory will automatically deduct ¼" – ½".



Measure the height of the openings at the left, center, and right.

TAKE NO DEDUCTIONS; the factory will make allowances to ensure a perfect fit.



Faux wood blinds, honeycomb shades, Silhouette, Nantucket, Shutters, etc. → Order the *narrowest* width measurement.

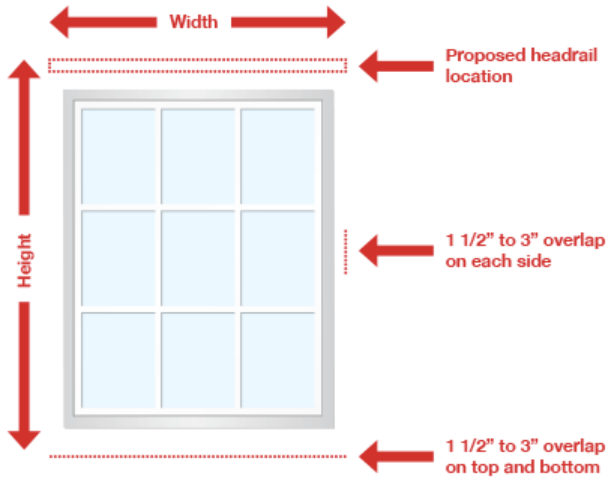
Roller Shades → Order the *top* width measurement.

Faux wood blinds, honeycomb shades, solar shades → Order the *longest* height measurement.

Silhouette, Nantucket, Shutters → Order the *shortest* height measurement.

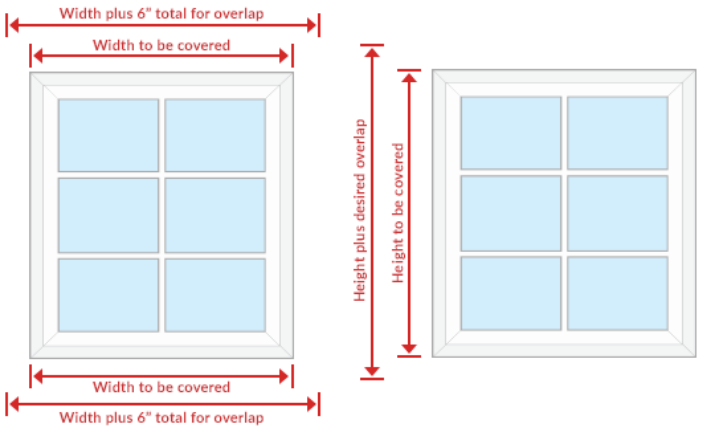
Outside Mount (OM)

Outside mount horizontal blinds (& cellular?)



Measure the desired width and height. To minimize light leakage the shade should overlap the window opening by at least 1" on each side and at the bottom. You will want to overlap by more if you are doing a side stacking product.

Outside mount roller shades



When measuring the height, take into account the requirements for installing the mounting brackets. *Needs more explanation...*

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