

# Measuring Guide for Sheer and Layered Shades

## Tools and Tips

- Steel tape measure — do not use cloth tape
- Pencil
- Measurement Worksheet — see page 3
- Measure each window and identify window locations — size variances are common
- Round measurements to the nearest 1/8"
- Clearly record measurements — width vs. height

*Double-check your work—always measure twice to ensure accuracy.*

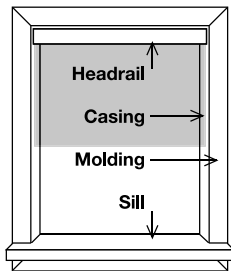
1/8"  
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3/8"  
1/2"  
5/8"  
3/4"  
7/8"

## Choose a Mount Type: Inside Mount or Outside Mount

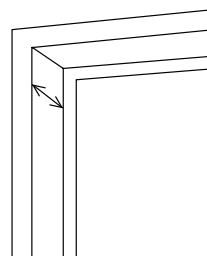
(See next page if you need help deciding which mount is best for your windows.)

### Inside Mount

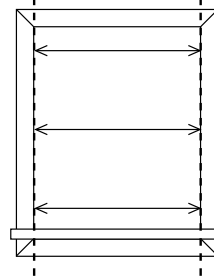
Window treatments are installed inside the window casing.



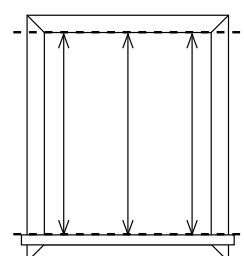
Inside Mount Blind



Depth



Width



Height

- ➊ **Measure Depth:** See chart on next page to determine if window casing has enough depth for an inside-mount window treatment.
- ➋ **Measure Width:** Measure the inside width of window casing at the top of the window.
- ➌ **Measure Height:** Measure the inside height from the top of window casing to top of sill in three places. Record smallest measurement.

**Note: Do not take any deductions for clearance. The manufacturer will take necessary deductions for a perfect fit. Measure each window individually as size variances are common. Record all measurements.**

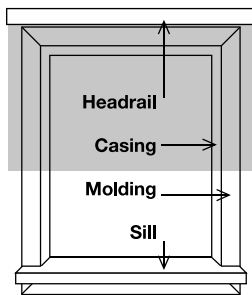
**Light Gaps:** On Sheer Inside Mount for Continuous Cord Loop, there is a 1 1/16" light gap on the control side and a 1 1/16" light gap on the idle side. Sheer Outside Mount Continuous Cord Loop, there is a 1" light gap on the control side and a 5/8" light gap on the idle side. For Motorized Sheer Inside Mount there is a 1" light gap on the control side and a 1 1/16" light gap on the idle side. For Motorized Sheer Outside Mount there is a 1 5/16" light gap on the control side and 5/8" light gap on the idle side.

On Layered Inside Mount for Continuous Cord Loop, there is a 1 1/8" light gap on the control side and a 1 1/16" light gap on the idle side. Layered Outside Mount Continuous Cord Loop, there is a 1 1/16" light gap on the control side and a 1 1/16" light gap on the idle side. For Motorized Layered Inside Mount there is a 1 1/16" light gap on the control side and a 3/4" light gap on the idle side. For Motorized Layered Outside Mount there is a 1" light gap on the control side and 1 1/16" light gap on the idle side.

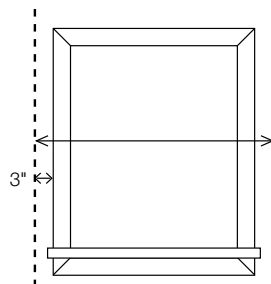
For optimal light control, outside mount is recommended, or you may add a secondary soft window treatment (drapery or curtain) to hide the light gap on an inside mount.

### Outside Mount

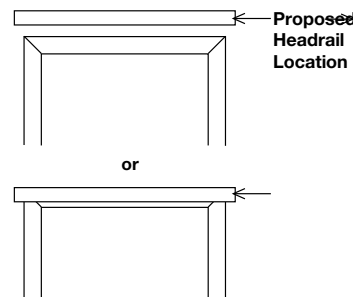
Window treatments are installed outside the window casing. Mount directly to wall or molding.



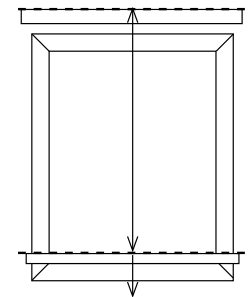
Outside Mount Blind



Width



Headrail Location



Height

- ➊ **Measure Width:** Measure width to be covered. We recommend 3" overlap on each side of the window (6" total) for optimum light control and privacy. Record measurement.
- ➋ **Determine Headrail Location:** Determine if headrail will be on molding or above molding and mark spot.
- ➌ **Measure Height:** Measure height to be covered from top of headrail location to top of sill or lower if overlap is desired for additional light control and privacy. Record measurement.

**Note: The manufacturer makes NO deductions on outside-mount installations.**

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# Mounting Considerations

## Reason for Choosing Inside Mount

### Clean Look

- Inside-mount treatments are installed inside the window casing, showcasing attractive window trim.
- The window opening frames the treatment for a finished, clean appearance.

### Allows Sill Space on Deep Windows

- In some deep-set windows, the window treatment can be installed to allow plants or other items to be placed in front of the window treatment on the sill.

## Limitations of Inside Mount

### Light Gaps

- A small deduction in the width and/or length is taken at the manufacturer to allow for proper operating clearance, and this causes a gap on each side of the treatment, affecting the treatment's ability to darken a room.

### Obstructed View

- The stack (compressed portion of the window treatment when fully raised) will obstruct part of the view from the window.
- The amount of stack varies by product and control type.

### Architectural Obstacles

- Obstacles such as handles and cranks can interfere with the operation of inside-mount treatments.

## Reason for Choosing Outside Mount

### Improve Privacy and Light Control

- Light gaps on the side of the window treatment can be substantially diminished or eliminated.

### Fewer Installation Limitations

- Outside-mount window treatments are ideal for covering non-square windows.
- Outside-mount window treatments are installed higher than the window opening for an unobstructed view when fully raised.

### Architectural Obstacles

- Outside-mount window treatments can clear obstacles like handles and cranks.

### Enlarge the Look of a Small Window

- Increase overlap above and below or to each side of the window.

### Hide Window Trim

- Outside-mount treatments can easily hide unattractive window trim.

## Limitations of Outside Mount

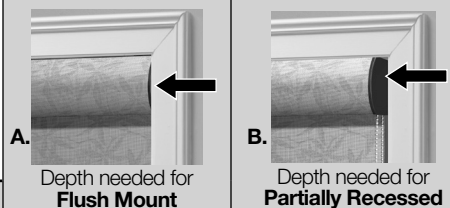
### Required Surface Above Window Frame

- Outside-mount brackets require at least 2" of flat surface above window or on window frame for mounting brackets; projection brackets can be ordered if needed to clear frame or molding.

## Inside Mount Window Casing Minimum Depth Requirements

**A. Flush Mount:** If the window casing is deep enough to mount the entire shade inside of it, this is called a flush mount.

**B. Partially Recessed:** A partially recessed window treatment is where the depth of the window casing is less than the space necessary for a flush mount.



Sheer and Layered Shades	Control Type		
Standard Valance; Fabric Wrapped Casette	Continuous-loop/Motorized	3 $\frac{5}{8}$ "	1 $\frac{3}{8}$ "

# Measuring and Ordering Worksheet

**Window #1** \_\_\_\_\_  
(location)

## Measuring

### For Inside Mount

Depth of window casing: \_\_\_\_\_

Measure width of window in 3 places  
and circle the narrowest width below:

Width #1: \_\_\_\_\_

Width #2: \_\_\_\_\_

Width #3: \_\_\_\_\_

Measure height of window in 3 places  
and circle the longest height below:

Height #1: \_\_\_\_\_

Height #2: \_\_\_\_\_

Height #3: \_\_\_\_\_

### For Outside Mount

Width: \_\_\_\_\_

Height: \_\_\_\_\_

## Ordering

Mount Type: ☐ Inside ☐ Outside

Ordering Width: \_\_\_\_\_

Ordering Height: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Blind or Shade: \_\_\_\_\_

Style Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Color Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Controls & Options to consider:

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**Window #2** \_\_\_\_\_  
(location)

## Measuring

### For Inside Mount

Depth of window casing: \_\_\_\_\_

Measure width of window in 3 places  
and circle the narrowest width below:

Width #1: \_\_\_\_\_

Width #2: \_\_\_\_\_

Width #3: \_\_\_\_\_

Measure height of window in 3 places  
and circle the longest height below:

Height #1: \_\_\_\_\_

Height #2: \_\_\_\_\_

Height #3: \_\_\_\_\_

### For Outside Mount

Width: \_\_\_\_\_

Height: \_\_\_\_\_

## Ordering

Mount Type: ☐ Inside ☐ Outside

Ordering Width: \_\_\_\_\_

Ordering Height: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Blind or Shade: \_\_\_\_\_

Style Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Color Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Controls & Options to consider:

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**Window #3** \_\_\_\_\_  
(location)

## Measuring

### For Inside Mount

Depth of window casing: \_\_\_\_\_

Measure width of window in 3 places  
and circle the narrowest width below:

Width #1: \_\_\_\_\_

Width #2: \_\_\_\_\_

Width #3: \_\_\_\_\_

Measure height of window in 3 places  
and circle the longest height below:

Height #1: \_\_\_\_\_

Height #2: \_\_\_\_\_

Height #3: \_\_\_\_\_

### For Outside Mount

Width: \_\_\_\_\_

Height: \_\_\_\_\_

## Ordering

Mount Type: ☐ Inside ☐ Outside

Ordering Width: \_\_\_\_\_

Ordering Height: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Blind or Shade: \_\_\_\_\_

Style Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Color Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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