



How to Measure for Soft Horizontal Shades

(Window Shadings)

Hunter Douglas Silhouette, Comfortex Shangri-La, Verosol Vienna, Bella Vista and Winwear ind. Designer Series Contour

Measuring Guidelines

- Precise width and length measurements are critical. Fabric width cannot be altered after the shading is fabricated.
- Please use a metal tape measure for accuracy from home to factory.
- The headrail must be installed perfectly level and installed evenly to ensure smooth operation. On an Inside Mount, it is recommended that you check to see that the mounting surface is level and consistent. If your window needs to be leveled, this should be done before measuring.

NOTE: All measurements should come from measuring the window. If you measure your existing blinds, the measurements will be incorrect.

Length Considerations

The manufacturer will fabricate your window shading to the exact length ordered, when the vanes are in the open (or view-through) position. When the vanes are rotated to the closed position, the shading will become 3/8" longer.

When closed on an inside mount, a slight puckering can occur on the lower most sheer section because of contact with the sill. To compensate, slightly raise the shading until the rail begins to lift off the window sill.

If preferred, shades can be ordered 3/8" less than the window opening's measured length. In this case, the bottomrail will be positioned 3/8" above the sill when the vanes are in the open position. Rotating the vanes closed will cause the bottom rail to touch the window sill, closing any space.

Measuring Instructions

Inside Mount:

Measure across the width of your window opening in three different places - top, middle and bottom. Measurements should be taken within the window jamb. Provide the smallest of the three measurements. Be exact. The manufacturer will make the necessary deductions to fit the window opening.

Measure the length of the window opening from the underside of the soffit to the surface of the window sill in two places - use the smaller of these two measurements.



Outside Mount:

Measure the exact width and length of the area to be covered. On the width, allow at least 1 1/2" of an overlap on each side. An overlap of 3" on each side is recommended.

Be sure to take into consideration any obstructions such as window trim, molding, locks and window cranks.

Side Mount:

Shades may be side mounted using "L" brackets. For side mounts, follow the instructions for inside mounts. An additional 1/2" will be taken off the standard inside mount deduction to allow room for the "L" brackets.

The maximum shade width utilizing the side mount option is 48".