How to Measure Window Curtains
Single or Double Hung Windows

On double hung windows both sashes in the window frame are operable, meaning they move up and down or tilt in. On single hung windows, the top sash is fixed in place and does not move or tilt in, but the bottom is operable.

Helpful Tips:
- Consider pooling your drapes for a more dramatic effect, this means your drapes will gather on the floor.
- If you have baseboard heating, consider whether you want to cover or have curtains end just above baseboard.

Single or Double Hung Windows

1. Measure the width of the window frame.
   (A to B)

2. Measure the length of the window frame.
   (C to D)

3. Measure the length from the top of the window frame to the floor.
   (E to F)

Determining Proper Width
When measuring the width of your window (A to B), be sure to consider whether you are hanging your curtain hardware on the inside or outside of the window trim. If you are aiming for a fuller, gathered look, make sure to multiply your measurement by 2.5x.

Determining Proper Length
Consider the look you want to achieve and where you want the bottom of your curtains to fall. Panels are usually hung so they fall anywhere from the window sill (C to D) or to the floor (E to F). Typically, panels are hung 4 inches above the window frame. The most common panel lengths are 54”, 63”, 84” and 95”.
Bay Windows

A window built to project outward from an outside wall with three or more window frames.

Bay Windows

1. Measure the width of each window.
   (A to B, B to C, C to D)

2. Measure the length from the top of the window to the window sill.
   (E to F)

3. Measure the length from the top of the window to the floor.
   (G to H)

Determining Window Widths

Measure the width of each window. A typical bay window has left, center and right windows. If you have additional windows, measure those windows as well.

Determining Proper Length

Consider the look you want to achieve and where you want the bottom of your curtains to fall.

Helpful Tips:

- For a more dramatic effect, consider pooling the bottom of your curtains on the floor.
- If you have a seated bay window, consider where you want the curtains to fall above the seated area. Valances can be a nice alternative for a seated bay window arrangement.
Sliding Glass & French Doors

A sliding door is a type of door which opens horizontally by sliding, usually parallel to a wall. French doors are two adjoining doors that have glass panes from top to bottom and are hinged at opposite sides of a doorway so that they open in the middle.

Sliding Glass & French Doors

1. Measure the door frame width
   (A to B)
2. Measure the door frame length
   (C to D)

Determining Proper Width
Measure from outer edge of door frame molding. Hardware should be hung above door frame and cover left to right edges.

Determining Proper Length
Measure from desired hardware placement to floor.

Helpful Tips:
- Consider a Traverse Rod for quick and easy sliding of door panels.
How to Hang Window Curtains
Rod Pockets

Recommended Hardware:
Traditional or decorative curtain rod. Curtain rods usually include brackets and screws.

Hanging Instructions:

1. Install curtain hardware on window trim or wall depending on your desired look.
2. Glide rod through rod pocket ensuring the front of the panel is facing forward and pull all the way through.
3. If rod pocket has a header, adjust the curtain so header is spaced evenly and standing up right for a finished look.

Helpful Tips:

- Look at side hems to determine curtain orientation. Side with hem fold-over is the back.
- Consider decorative finials to add your own personal style.
**Grommet**

**Recommended Hardware:**
Traditional or decorative curtain rod. Curtain rods usually include brackets and screws.

**Hanging Instructions:**

1. Install curtain hardware on window trim or wall depending on your desired look.
2. Insert curtain rod through each grommet.

**Helpful Tips:**
- Group grommets in hand first then slip rod through for ease.
- Check grommet opening measurement to ensure you purchase a rod size that will fit through the opening.
Tab Top

Recommended Hardware:
Traditional or decorative curtain rod. Curtain rods usually include brackets and screws.

Hanging Instructions:
1. Install curtain hardware on window trim or wall depending on your desired look.
2. Insert curtain rod through each tab top fabric loop and adjust curtain panel to create an evenly spaced header.

Helpful Tips:
- Since the rod is exposed, use a decorative rod and finials to enhance your finished look.
**Pinch Pleat**

**Recommended Hardware:**
Decorative rod or a Traverse rod.

**Hanging Instructions for Decorative Rod:**

1. Install curtain hardware on window trim or wall depending on your desired look.

2. Prepare curtain by inserting drapery hooks into back-center of each pleat.

3. Hook drapery hooks onto clip or drapery rings and slide rings onto decorative rod. Finish by spacing evenly.

**Hanging Instructions for Traverse Rod:**

1. Install traverse rod over door or window using instructions provided on hardware packaging.

2. Prepare curtain by inserting drapery hooks into back-center of each pleat.

3. Attach each drapery hook into a carrier hook on traverse rod. Finish by spacing evenly.

**Helpful Tips:**

- Consider pinch pleat curtains on patio doors and hang on a traverse rod for easy open and close.
**Tie Top**

**Recommended Hardware:**
Traditional or decorative curtain rod. Curtain rods usually include brackets and screws.

**Hanging Instructions:**
1. Install curtain hardware on window trim or wall depending on your desired look.
2. Insert curtain rod through each tie top fabric loop and adjust curtain panel to create an evenly spaced header.

**Helpful Tips:**
- Since the rod is exposed, use a decorative rod and finials to enhance your finished look.
Kitchen Tiers

Recommended Hardware:
Tension or decorative curtain rod.

Hanging Instructions:
1. Install curtain hardware on window trim or wall depending on your desired look.
2. If using tension rods inside your window frame or trim, slide curtain onto rod and then hang tension rod by twisting to loosen and tighten rod at desired hang location.
3. If using traditional curtain rod, place curtain rod on curtain hardware and adjust curtains so they are evenly spaced.

Helpful Tips:
- Kitchen tier sets usually offer a valance and curtain panel. Hang valance at top of window and then hang panel so that bottom of the panel sits just above window sill.
Patio Door

Recommended Hardware:
Traditional or decorative curtain rod. Curtain rods usually include brackets and screws.

Hanging Instructions:
1. Install curtain hardware on window trim or wall depending on your desired look.
2. Determine if curtain can be hung as rod pocket, back tab, grommet or other, then follow hang instructions for specific curtain style.

Helpful Tips:
- For easy open and close consider grommet curtains on a decorative rod, or using drapery hooks to hang panels on a traverse rod.
- Traverse rod offers an all-in-one rod/hardware construction and an easy open and close drawstring functionality.