



Shutter Measuring Guide

If you have any shutter questions please call (877) 466-1266

When measuring...

- Use a metal tape measure for all measurements
- Make all measurements to the nearest 1/8th inch and round down for width, round up for height.
- Measure every window, even if they look similar

Step 1: Where to Measure (Determine Inside or Outside Mount)

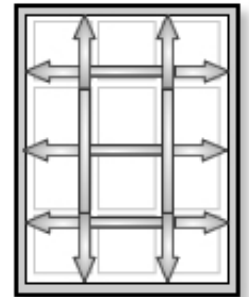
Inside Mount

Inside Mounted shutters are mounted inside the window casing and do not cover the window molding.

Window must be “square” for an inside mount installation.

To determine squareness, measure diagonally (upper to lower left, then upper right to lower left), if the measurements differ by more than 1/2”, your window is not square enough for an inside mount.

Inside mounted shutters are mounted inside the window frame recess.



How to measure inside mount:

Width

Measure the exact width (left to right) of the inside edge of the window frame in three places (top, middle and bottom). Take the smallest of the three measurements. Write down that size making sure that it is the first number of the measurement. This is the width you will order. The factory will make all necessary deductions to allow for mounting brackets.

Height

Measure the exact height (top to bottom) from the top inside edge down to the window sill in three places. Take the smallest of the three measurements. Write down that size making sure that it is the second number of the measurement. Factory will make all deductions.

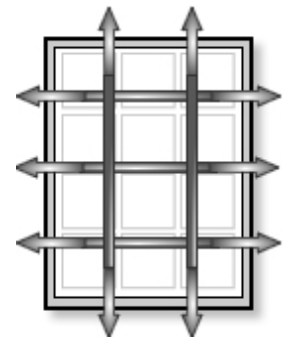
Outside Mount.

Outside mount shutters are mounted on the wall, on molding or beyond molding and require at least 1" of flat surface to properly install the frame.

How to measure outside mount:

Width

Measure the exact width (left to right) of the inside edge of the window frame in three places (top, middle and bottom). Take the largest of the three measurements. Write down that size making sure that it is the first number of the measurement. This is the width you will order. The factory will make all necessary additions.



Height

Measure the exact height (top to bottom) from the top inside edge down to the window sill in three

places. Take the largest of the three measurements. Write down that size making sure that it is the second number of the measurement.

Step 2: Determine Type of Frame



Inside & Outside

Inside Mount

Outside Mount

There are 4 frame types to choose from. 2 inside mount styles and 2 outside mounts styles. When choosing an inside mount frame, you will need to make sure of the proper clearances as follows:

Standard Frame inside mount:

A minimum recess depth of 2 ¼" is required.

Z-Frame inside mount:

A minimum recess depth of 1 ½" and a minimum wall area of 1 1/8" all the way around is required.

When choosing an outside mount frame, you will need to make sure of the proper clearances as follows:

Standard Frame outside mount:

A minimum wall area of 2" all the way around the window is required.

Designer Frame outside mount:

A minimum wall area of 2 ½" all the way around the window is required.

Important note:

ON INSIDE MOUNT FRAMES, YOU MUST ADD 1/2" TO THE RECESS REQUIREMENT FOR 4" LOUVERS AND AN Additional 1" FOR CLEARVIEW.

Step 3: Number of Panels

1 Left or Right Panel

Max inside mount width: 35"
Max outside mount width: 31"
Min inside mount width: 8"
Min outside mount width: 12"



1 Left

1 Right

2 Left or 2 Right Panel

Max inside mount width: 54"
Max outside mount width: 50"
Min inside mount width: 16"
Min outside mount width: 24"

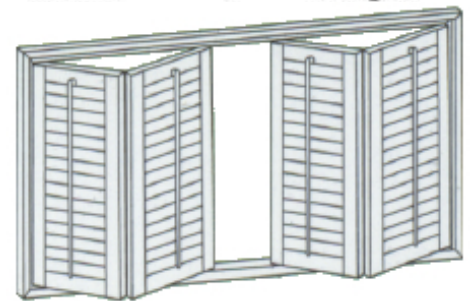


2 Left

2 Right

2 Left and 2 Right Panel

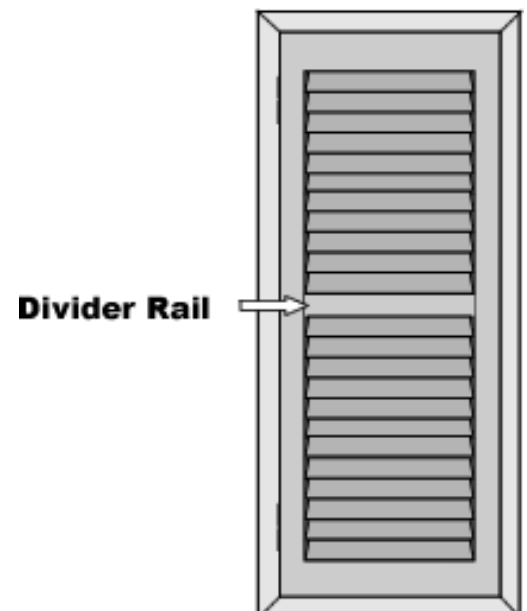
Max inside mount width: 106"
Max outside mount width: 102"
Min inside mount width: 36"
Min outside mount width: 48"



2 Left, 2 Right

Step 4: Divider Rails (Optional Step)

Divider rails allow two sections of the shutter panel to operate independently for improved light control. Shutter panels over 72" in height require a divider rail for improved stability. Panels over 96" in height require two rails. Design professionals recommend that the divider panel be placed in the center for symmetry. Divider rails are measured from bottom of frame up. If you are ordering shutters for windows with multiple heights, you may want to have the divider rails placed at different heights to achieve symmetry. See illustration at left.



Divider Rail

Note: Placement will NOT be exact. Rail position for 3" louver panels may vary up to 1-1/4" from specified position. Rail position for 4" louver panels may vary up to 1-3/4" from specified position.