

## Measuring Instructions for Draperies

We sometimes use the word "drapery" or "draperies" to describe many types of window treatments. The instructions on this page are applicable to curtains, sheers, drapery panels, pinch pleat draperies, and some valances. To ensure accuracy, use a metal tape.

To measure for draperies:

For draperies to be mounted inside the window frame (This is not often done):

1. Measure the width of the opening where the rod is to be mounted (generally at the top)
2. Measure the height of the opening. Deduct ½" from this measurement so that the draperies clear the top and bottom of the window opening. If someone else is fabricating your drapery treatments – let them know that a 1/2" deduction has been made
3. Remember-the term "inside mount" applies to a window treatment mounted inside OR between anything; ie: bookcases, kitchen cabinets, etc.

For draperies to be mounted outside the window frame:

1. Measure the exact width to be covered. This will be the rod width, and will vary with every window.
2. For height; measure from top of trim-or where you want the top of the draperies to start-to the sill/apron/floor (wherever you want bottom of draperies to come to). If draperies are floor length, deduct ½" for clearance from floor.

Please note: Draperies that are mounted *under* a top treatment need to be covered by that top treatment *at least* four inches down from the top of the draperies so that the pleats are covered.

Brackets, screws and installation instructions are packed with drapery rods. These will vary from manufacturer to manufacturer, so please follow instructions carefully to ensure proper mounting.