

# How to Measure for Blinds and Shades



## **IMPORTANT TIPS**

- Be sure to use a metal tape measure for all measurements. Do NOT use a cloth tape.
- Measure the width dimension first, then measure the height dimension.
- Measure to the nearest 1/8". For inside mount measurements, round down to the nearest 1/8".
- Don't take any deductions. Factory deductions and adjustments will vary based on product and mounting selection.



#### Inside Mount or Outside Mount?

Inside (IB) Mount – Shade will be mounted within the window frame.

Outside (OB) Mount – Shade will be mounted outside the opening, and will overlap the window.

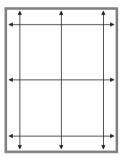
Inside (IB) Mount	Outside (OB) Mount

### Inside (IB) Mount

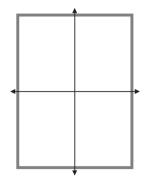
- 1. Measure the width inside the window opening in three places: top, middle and bottom. If widths in the window vary, order the <u>smallest width</u>.
- 2. Measure the height inside the window opening in three places: left, center and right. If heights in the window vary, order the <u>longest height</u> for horizontal treatments and the <u>shortest height</u> for vertical treatments. If ordering Dual Shades or Window Shadings, order the shortest height to allow for full rotation/operation of the bottomrail.

### Outside (OB) Mount

- 1. Measure the desired width and height. To minimize light gaps, the shade should overlap the window opening at least 2" on each side and at the bottom.
- 2. When measuring the height, be sure to allow for mounting the brackets/headrail above the window opening.



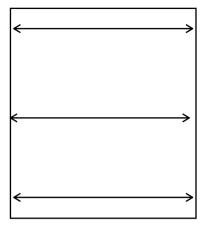
Inside Mount



Outside Mount

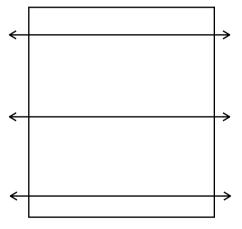
# Measuring Guide Worksheet

## **INSIDE MOUNT**



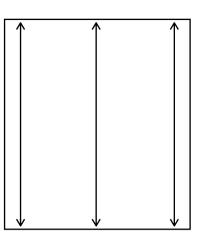
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### **OUTSIDE MOUNT**



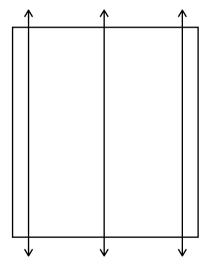
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Be sure to add on at least 2" on each side to minimize light gaps.



#### Height: \_

Use the longest measurement for horizontal treatments; shortest measurement for vertical treatments.



Height: \_

Be sure to allow for mounting the brackets/headrail above the window opening.

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