## Measuring Guide for <br> Roller blinds.

Measuring for your stunning new blind becomes a breeze with Online Blinds Express. Simply adhere to this step-by-step manual, ensuring to verify your measurements along the way, and keep an eye out for useful tips that can also save you time. Here is a tutorial for measuring Roller blinds.

## Recess fitting

If you want your blind to fit inside the window recess.


Depth needed for standard Roller blinds = Top-Fix: 50 mm , Face-Fix: 70 mm

This measurement is crucial for ensuring your blind fits snugly within the window recess. Measure the entire width and height of the recess, and let our experts handle the necessary deductions. This ensures you receive a perfectly fitting blind for the recess.

- Measure in three locations for both width and drop, and consider the smallest measurements you've recorded.
- No deductions are required on your part; we will take care of that for you.
- Opt for a metal tape measure, as cloth ones may stretch and provide inaccurate measurements.

Useful Tip: Verify the depth of your recess by referring
to the recess checking tips on the opposite side. Ensure it is sufficiently deep to accommodate the blind. Check for any obstructions such as handles or ventilation that may impede the installation.

## Exact fitting

If you want your blind to fit outside the window recess.


- Measure the recess as depicted in the illustration on the opposite side, and then include the additional height and width on each side. We will meticulously create your blind to match that size without any deductions.
- For those aiming to minimize light penetration, we recommend adding a minimum of 50 mm on each side and 70 mm to the top.
- Exercise caution at the bottom of the blind to prevent contact with protruding objects like sills or radiators. If extending the blind drop to a window sill, contemplate reducing this measurement by 15 mm for clearance, preventing the fabric slats from dragging.

Useful Tips: Are you replacing an existing blind, like for like? Measure the blind including fittings (see blind measuring tips opposite) and use the Exact fitting option - we will make you one the same size. The overall width of a Roller blind including brackets is approximately 35 mm wider than the fabric width (see Fig 1). You can choose whether to measure for the full bracket-tobracket width, or for the width you'd like

Non-standard windows
Fitting inside a part-tiled recess (also for picture rails, skirting


Measure between the tiles to ensure the blind will fit

Is there tiling along the sides of your window recess? These tiles may potentially limit the available width compared to a standard recess. Measure the width between the tiles for your overall width. If the difference is less than 25mm, you can utilize the top measurement. However, if the difference exceeds 25 mm , opt for the smaller width between the tiles. Keep in mind that in this case, you will need to either top fix or face fix. This method is also applicable if there is a skirting board, picture rail, or any other obstruction inside the recess.

## Bay windows, Half-bays \& L-shaped windows

These specific window styles require a more detailed approach when measuring for Vertical blinds. To assist you in this process, we have developed dedicated measuring guides for each style. Please visit www.onlineblindsexpress.co.uk for comprehensive guidance.

## Angled Bay windows



Angled Bay windows measuring guide available: Roller Angled Bay N.B. The same guide can be used for Angled Half-bay windows.

Square Bay and L-shaped windows


## Measuring Guide for Roller blinds <br> in an Angled Bay window

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## Step 1

Before commencing the measurement process, determine whether you want to fit the blinds as top-fix or face-fix. Our Roller blind brackets extend by 50 mm for top-fix or 70 mm for face-fix. Be mindful of potential obstacles such as window handles or air vents. If these are present, add their dimensions to the depth of your brackets, creating reference measurement point $X$.
In addition to your measuring tape, gather two pieces of paper or card (A4 or A5 size is suitable), a pencil, and a ruler.

## Step 2

Arrange your two paper pieces next to each other as illustrated and indicate the previously measured X dimension on both sheets.


## Step 3

Place the paper against the window frame on the sill. Slide the paper along the sill until the two marks align.

## Step 4

Gently use your pencil to mark the window sill at the point where the paper edge intersects with the frame. Repeat this process for the other angles in the frame.


## Step 5

Determine the blind width by measuring the distance between the marked points.


Useful Tip: Avoid altering the pencil marks -
they will serve as a helpful reference when fitting your new blind.

## Step 6

For measuring the drop, measure from the top of the blind to the desired resting point, usually the window sill. We advise reducing this measurement by 15 mm for clearance, preventing the fabric slats from dragging.

## Measuring Guide for <br> Roller blinds

## in a Square Angled/ Box Bay window

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First a disclaimer - Roller blinds and Day \& Night blinds are not the best option for a square angled window bay because of the gaps in fabric left by the control mechanism. Before you start measuring, decide how you are going to fit your blinds. There are three options available as shown below. You will need to top or face fix these so please allow for the bracket size: TopFixing 50 mm or Face-Fixing 70 mm .

## Option 1



## Option 2



## Option 3



## Measuring the width

## Option 1

For a Square Angled Bay Window, the common solution involves having the front blind extend almost from one corner to the other, with the side blinds then installed up to the front blind. Measure the front blind in a manner similar to a standard inside recess blind, taking three measurements and selecting the smallest of the three. Place an order for this blind as a Recess fitting.
When measuring the width of the side blinds, subtract the
bracket
size ( 50 mm for Top-Fix/70mm for Face-Fix, refer to page 1) to accommodate the front blind and the fitting brackets.

Measure
each side individually, as windows may vary slightly. Place
these blinds using the Exact "Bracket to Bracket" fitting option.

## Option 2

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Useful Tip: If there are potential obstacles, like window handles, that could affect the front blind, be sure to deduct the clearance distance from your side blinds as well. This ensures proper spacing and avoids any interference with obstacles.
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This option, favored by professionals, requires sufficiently large window frames in the corner to eliminate gaps. Measure the window frame from corner to glass. If either side measures less than 70 mm , opt for option 1 or 3 instead. Otherwise, there is a risk of not adequately covering the glass with your blind.

Measure the width of the side blinds from the recess edge into the corner, then subtract the
bracket
fllowance of 30 mm . Measure from corner to corner and deduct the bracket allowance of 50 mm
Top-Fix/70mm for Face-Fix (refer to page 1) for the front blind. Order all three blinds using the

## Exact

"Bracket to Bracket" fitting option.

## Option 3

If your side windows are too small you might need to choose this option. Measure the side windows from recess edge into the corner and order each side blind as Recess fitting. The front blind should be measured from corner to corner and deduct the bracket allowance (see page 1) of 100 mm for TopFix/140mm for Face-Fix. Order this blind as Recess fitting also.

## Measuring the drop

Measure the drop as usual, once again in three places. Pay attention to how you are fitting the blinds so that you can accurately determine where the top is to measure down from.

## Obstructions - window handles etc.

To navigate obstacles such as handles or vents protruding from the window frame, consider reverse rolling the blinds. On a clean surface, unroll the blinds to the full drop length until the roller barrel is visible. Then, flip the fabric over the other "side" of the barrel. This technique allows the blind to fall away from the obstacles.

