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HOW TO MEASURE FOR CURTAINS: *A step-by-step guide*

Choosing the right curtains starts with accurate measurements. Whether you're dressing up a new room or replacing old curtains, this guide will walk you through everything you need to know to get the perfect fit.

WHAT YOU'LL NEED

- A metal tape measure (cloth tapes can stretch and give inaccurate results).
- A notepad and pen, or your phone, to record the measurements.
- A step ladder, when measuring tall windows or recesses.
- Measure in cm to get a more accurate measurement.

MEASURE THE DROP (LENGTH)

Decide how long you want your curtains to be.

Common drop styles include:

Sill length

Curtains finish 1cm above the windowsill.

Below the sill

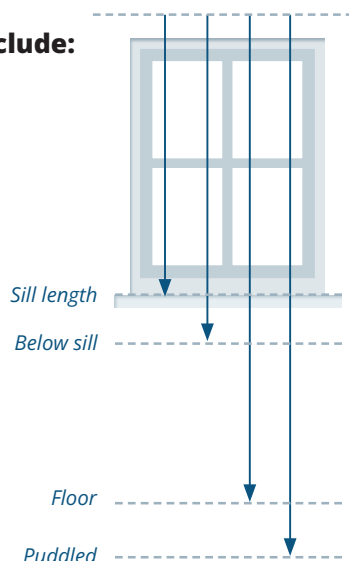
Curtains fall 15–20cm below the sill.

Floor length

Curtains stop about 1cm above the floor.

Puddled

Curtains slightly pool on the floor – add 5–10cm.



MEASURE THE WIDTH

If you have a curtain pole:

Measure the full width of the pole, not the window. Exclude any decorative finials (end caps).

If you have a track:

Measure the entire length of the track. If it overlaps in the centre (common with curtain tracks), include the overlap in your measurement.

FINAL CHECKS BEFORE ORDERING

- Record measurements in centimetres (cm).
- Write down width first, then drop (e.g. W120cm x D150cm).
- Always measure twice for accuracy.
- Consider lining options, including; thermal, blackout, etc.

MEASURING FROM A POLE:

• Eyelet curtains

Measure from the top of the pole.
Allow 3cm above the pole for top of curtain.

• Pencil, Pinch or Wave top

Measure from the bottom of the curtain ring where the curtain will hang from.

MEASURING FROM A TRACK:

Measure from the top of the track to where you want the curtain to finish.

NEED EXTRA HELP?

If you are not confident or your windows are an unusual shape you can always call us on 01328 850633 and we will be happy to help.