



## Mega Exterior Shade Measuring Instructions

Using a steel measuring tape or laser measure to obtain accurate measurements, carefully record your measurements by listing the width first and then the height, for each opening.

**All measurements should be recorded to the nearest 1/16 of an inch.**

### Width

#### Inside Mount Motorized:

Measure the exact opening to the nearest 1/16" in three places: Top, Middle, and Bottom. Take the narrowest measurement and deduct 3/16" so the shade will fit properly.

**Inside Mount Vortex Zipper Shades:** Measure the exact opening to the nearest 1/16" in three places: Top, Middle, and Bottom. For proper fit of required inside mount U Channels + Vortex Tracks, deduct 9/16" from the narrowest measurement and use this number as the ordered width for the shade.

**Cable Guides:** Take the narrowest measurement and deduct 1" from each side that is next to wall or post to ensure clearance needed for cable guide loops.

#### Outside Mount:

##### **Vortex Zipper Tracks:**

Measure the exact opening in three (3) places: Top, Middle, and Bottom. Take the widest measurement and **add a minimum of 5 1/2" (2 3/4" per side)** to the widest measurement of the opening.

*Example: 72" opening width + 5 1/2" = 77 1/2" – ordered width*

##### **Standard (Non-Zipper) Tracks:**

Measure the exact opening in three (3) places: Top, Middle, and Bottom. Take the widest measurement and **add a minimum of 3" (1 1/2" per side)** to the widest measurement of the opening.

*Example: 72" + 3" = 75"*

### Height

#### Inside Mount:

Measure the exterior opening, from top to bottom, on both sides. The specified order height should be stated as the longest length to ensure that both tracks will reach the floor surface. Track for short side will be trimmed during installation.

#### Outside Mount:

Measure the exterior opening, from top to bottom on both sides. **Add** the following to the measurement of the longest side: Vortex Zipper Shade: Cassette box: 6 1/2" + Mega Hem Bar: 2 1/4" + Gasket: 3/4" for a minimum total of 9 1/2" added to opening height (Patriot Hood: add additional 1/2" for minimum 10"). Non-Vortex Shade: Cassette box: 6 1/2" + Mega Hem Bar: 2 1/4" for a minimum total of 8 3/4" added to opening height (Patriot Hood: add additional 1/2" for minimum 9 1/4") ensuring retracted shade has cleared opening.

**TOTAL ORDERED HEIGHT INCLUDES THE CASSETTE AND TRACKS.**  
**POLAR SHADES WILL NOT TAKE ANY DEDUCTIONS ON EXTERIOR SHADES.**