

**SHAFTESBURYS**  
BLINDS // SHUTTERS

## **ALUMINIUM BLINDS: MEASURING & FITTING GUIDE**



# GENERAL INFORMATION

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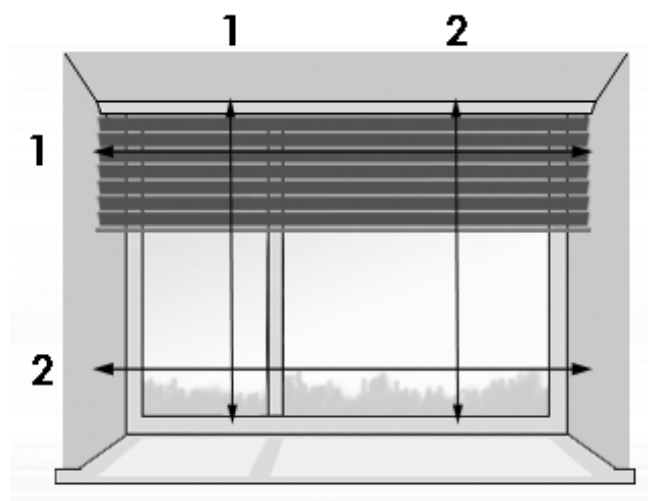
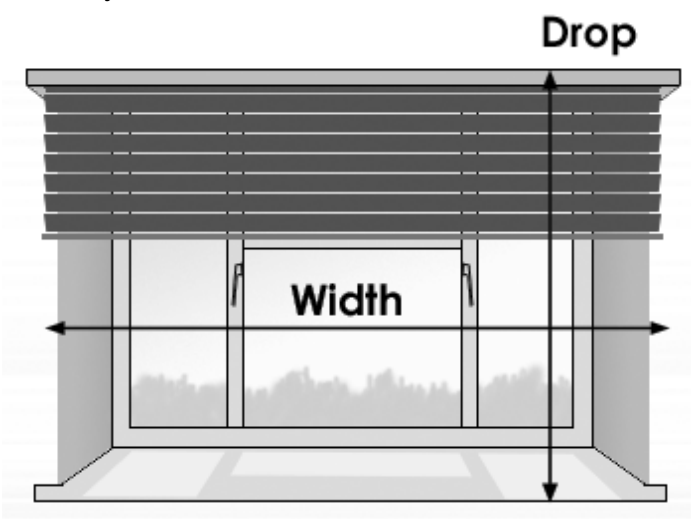
- All measurements should be width first followed by the drop.
- Drop measurement is from top of headrail to underside of bottom bar.
- Use a steel tape measure and measure to the nearest 1mm.
- Don't be surprised if your windows aren't perfectly square.
- Measure all windows even if they appear to be the same size.
- Decide whether you want your blinds installed within the window opening (inside the recess, see page 3) or on the wall/trim (blind size, see page 3). If your window is a recess most people use an inside mount for a neater look, but make sure you have enough depth to allow the product to fit. Use an outside mount when your opening is too shallow or when your window is significantly out of square.
- Always look for obstacles like window handles, tiles and telephone sockets and take their position into account if necessary.
- Our blinds can be fitted to the face of the window frame or wall or into the lintel - giving you complete control over the positioning of your blind.
- We will custom-make your blinds to sizes you provide. If these sizes are incorrect it is not possible to change your blind since it is tailor-made for you. Take your time to double-check measurements.
- If windows open inwards it is important to consider the blind stacking height ie its drop measurement when completely raised.

# MEASURING GUIDE

## WHEN ORDERING YOUR BLINDS YOU HAVE TWO FITTING OPTIONS AVAILABLE

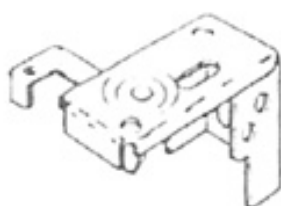
**Fitting Option: 'Blind Size'** You supply us with the exact width & drop measurements for where you would like the blind to cover, making allowance for bracket fixings as outlined above. The width & drop of the blind specified by you will be overall blind size and will be made exactly to the size specified with no allowance made by us.

**Fitting Option: 'Recess Size'** Supplied with the width and height of the recess exactly. We will deduct 10mm from the width to allow the blind to fit. It is advisable to measure the width in several places and you should of course quote the minimum width.



### FACE FIX BRACKET

34mm high  
33 mm wide  
13mm deep



**Tools needed for fitting (recommended):**

Tape measure, drill bit (1/8" diameter), drill, pencil, phillips head screwdriver, ladder

**YOU SHOULD HAVE:**

- 1 One aluminium slat blind
- 2 Two end mounting brackets

**RECOMMENDED CARE FOR ALUMINIUM BLINDS**

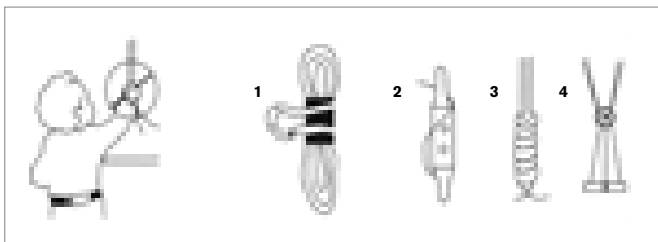
1 When opening or closing blind, only raise or lower the blind when the slats are in the horizontal (open position). Larger blinds must be raised or lowered in stages. Raising or lowering in one singular motion places excessive stress on the mechanism, strings and brackets. Do not force the cord when tilting the blinds, this may cause the mechanism to break.

2 Dust blinds regularly.

3 If the blind becomes damp or wet, wipe down immediately. The slats should be horizontal (open) and the blind released and lowered completely. Allow to dry by removing the blinds from the brackets and lay down on a hard surface.

**WARNING!**

**Reduce Risk of strangulation to infants and toddlers. Position safety Cord-Stops before using blinds.**



**Children can be strangled in blind or drapery cords. To keep cords out of reach of children, use these methods:**

- 1 Clamp or clothes pin
- 2 Cleat
- 3 Tie the cord to itself
- 4 Tie-down device