

*Bespoke curtains are just that because there can be so many variables affecting the making process. All these variables will affect how you measure for your curtains. Below we have created a simple, standardised guide to establish approximate measurements before you come into our store. Please note this is only a guide document to be used in conjunction with our services, A. Shufflebotham and Son cannot be held responsible for any wrong measurements or wrong-doing of any 3<sup>rd</sup> party services based on this guide.*

## Bespoke Blind Parameters

**Blind Position** - Internal or External

**Chain Colour** – Chrome, Brass or White Plastic

**Chain Position** - Left Hand Side or Right Hand Side

**Stacking** - Fully Stacked, Semi Tailored or Fully Tailored

## Blind Position

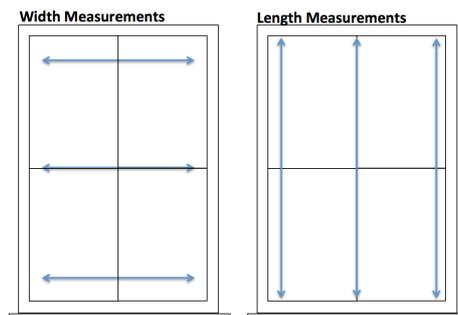
### Internal

Measure the width and height of the recess in 3 places as few windows are perfectly square. Record the narrowest measurement of the recess width as well as the shortest and longest measurement of the recess length.

Internal roman blinds can be top-fixed to the ceiling of the window recess or face-fixed to the window frame or wall. Top-fixing your blind gives you the flexibility of positioning your blind away from any protruding window fittings.

If you have any obstructions inside the window recess such as a dado rail, picture rail or tiles, please measure the distance in-between these obstructions.

**Use Appendix 1 to take note of your Internal Measurements.**



### External

#### Width

An external blind should be wide enough to cover the window sill and extend 3 - 5cm (1 - 2") on each side of the sill. Check that there are no obstructions on either side and measure accordingly.

#### Length

It is best to fit the blind 15 - 25cm (6 - 10") above the top of the recess to allow the maximum amount of light in through the window when the blind is open. Note that you need this amount of flat space above the window recess. We recommend that your measurement extends 1" below the sill as blinds shrink slightly over time. An external roman blind will usually be face fixed to the wall.

**Use Appendix 2 to take note of your External Measurements.**

## Stacking

The finished look of a roman blind can vary.

Choose a **stacked** blind to maximise light with an internal blind in a shallow window; the folds of fabric stack almost completely on top of one another.

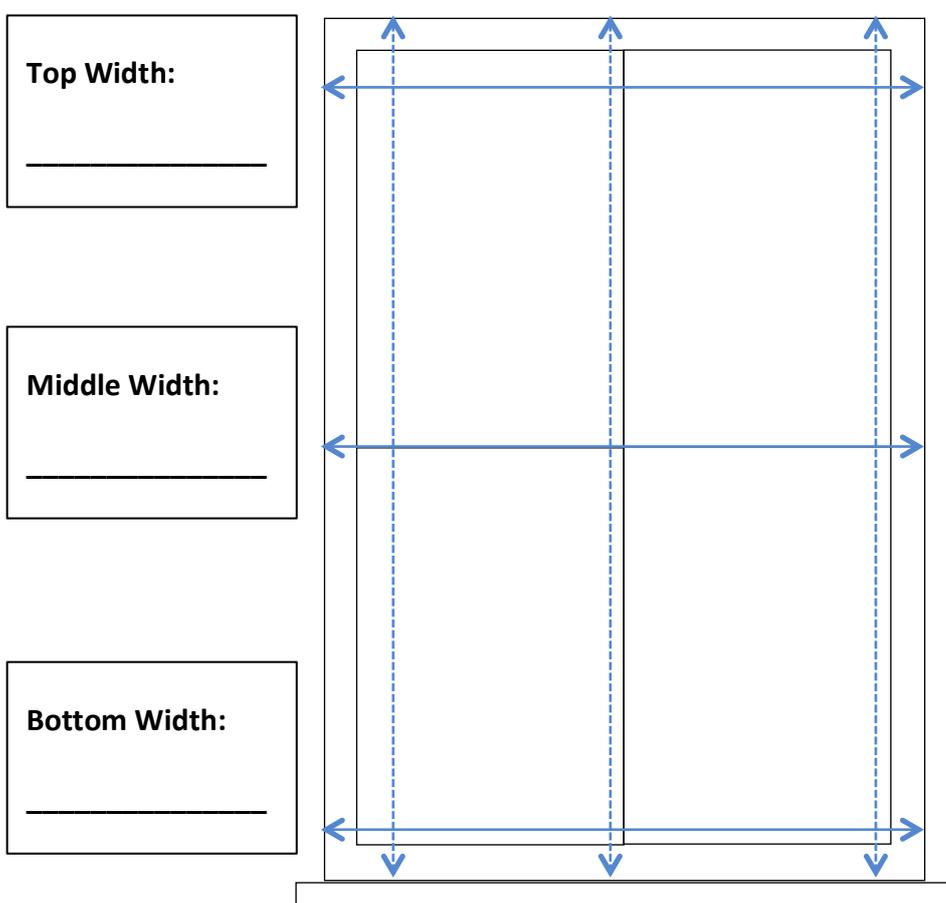
Choose a **tailored** blind to display a cascade of even folds, 3 - 5cm between each fold depending on the overall length of the blind.

A **semi-tailored** blind will have some cascade of folds, but the distance between each fold will be shallow (approximately 2cm). Semi-tailored is the best option if you like the look of a cascade of folds, but want to maximise the light coming in through your window when your blind is open.

## Appendix 1 : Measurements for an Internal Blind. (Print this out and bring it with you)

Room Description: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Left Length:</b> _____	<b>Middle Length:</b> _____	<b>Right Length:</b> _____
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**Appendix 2 : Measurements for an External Blind.**  
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Room Description: \_\_\_\_\_

Ceiling

