

# How to measure your windows for our Made to Measure to Secondary Glazing

Our secondary glazing is magnetically fixed to the inside of your window frame. As the panels are flat you need to identify a flat area to fix to all the way around. This needs to not be fouled by any handles or other fixings in that area.

## How much room is needed to fix the glazing to?

Our made to measure secondary glazing units have unique edging that is 18mm wide and the corner pieces are 1mm wider. However, the magnetic tapes that attach to the edging are only 12.7 mm wide so you really only need a surface around 13mm wide to fix the panels to.

## Taking the measurements - General measuring advice

Please follow these **3 handy tips** when you are measuring your windows.

1. **Use a metal tape measure** that shows millimetres. Do not use a cloth tape as these can be less accurate.
2. Very few windows are 'square' or 'straight' so measure both the width and height in **two or three places** and give us the smaller of these measurements in each direction.
3. **Give names to the windows** you measure. e.g. Bedroom 1 - 1400mm x 600mm

We will label the panels for you with this reference. This helps you identify which panel goes where when it comes to fitting.

## Measuring for a single unit

Most often, your window will be covered in one secondary glazing panel so you would take your measurements from the outside edges of this frame. You can allow a few mm to make it easier to get to the edges if you remove the panel. The maximum recommended size for one unit is 2m x 1.2m. Larger sizes can often be covered but contact us for advice.



## Measuring for a window which will have more than one panel

You may choose to break the window down into more than one secondary glazing unit. This may be due to the size of the window being outside of those recommended, or you may want to remove one part to allow you to open the window. You would therefore measure the size for each panel.

In the case of this window design, and the overall window was very large, you may choose to split the glazing into two panels which will join over the middle of the central mullion. Please bear in mind that if you have two panels meeting, then you will need twice the area to fix to e.g. 26mm (2 x 13mm.)



### **If you want to split the window panels so you can open the windows regularly**

If we use the example of this same window design, you may wish to split the secondary glazing panels so you can open a part of the window without removing the glazing. You would therefore need to ensure that you measure to a flat area avoiding any handles etc.

On this example you could split the window into four panels and measure to the outside of the inner frame as shown below but you will stop inside the handle to get the flat continuous surface.



Flat area inside the handle

To make life easier - print off and use our [Window Measuring form](#) to help you note down your window measurements.

If you have any further questions or need any help, please feel free to get in touch. Use the contact us' form or call us on 01536 446395 and we will be very happy to help you. You can also send enquiries to [sales@theglazingshop.co.uk](mailto:sales@theglazingshop.co.uk) and attach photos of your windows if you need specific advice.