

How to measure your windows for Economy Glaze Secondary Glazing

Economy Glaze secondary glazing is uses magnetic tapes which are 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 your window. You also need to make sure that there will be no handles or other fixings that would get in the way of the sheet once it is in place. Our secondary glazing panels are designed to sit on a window sill at the bottom. If you will not have support under the panel please use our fixing clips for additional support.

How much room is needed to fix the glazing to?

The magnetic tapes are 12.7mm wide so you need a flat surface a minimum of 13mm wide to fix 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 **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 where each 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. In this case you measure the size for each panel.

In the case of this window design, if 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. you will need 24mm (2 x 12mm.)



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 the measurements will be to the outside of this level of the inner frame but will be inside the handle to get the flat continuous surface.



Flat area inside the handle

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 and attach photos of your windows if you need specific advice.