

ELITE FRT FABRIC RETENTION TRACK

These measuring instructions are recommended at all times when measuring exterior sun shades with sidetracks.

Following these instructions each time will ensure a proper fit and give you a consistent installation.

If for any reason these instructions will not work for your situation. Please request technical assistance to ensure fit.



PATIO OPENINGS WITH TRACKS

- Before measuring check opening for any obstructions or extreme variations in wall surfaces.
- Create diagram of opening to be measured.
- Measure opening width in 3 places: Top, Center and Bottom.
- Write measurements on diagram.
- Measure opening a second time to verify correct measurements.
- We recommend using an outside/inside (overlap) mount for track sun shades on the patio. If you do specify an under (trapped) mount for a patio shade with tracks it will be a more difficult installation and we recommend our optional "L" mounting channel.
- When measuring the opening height on patio shades

UNDER (TRAPPED) MOUNT

- For an under (trapped) mount deduct 1" from the narrowest width measurement. This will be your unit width.
- Optional: "L" mounting channel (Dimensions 1 x 2 x .125) can be used to create a surface to mount the tracks to.

OUTSIDE (OVERLAP) MOUNT

- For an outside/inside mount on **Standard FRT** take the widest opening measurement and add 6.5 inches. This will be your unit width.
- For an outside/inside mount on **Heavy Duty FRT** take the widest opening measurement and add 7 inches. This will be your unit width.

FRT TRACKS

- Tracks will always need to be cut on-site to the proper fit.

HANDING

- Manual Shades: Determine the handing as if you were operating the shade. Stand where the shade is operated, are you on the left or right of the shade?
- Motorized Shades: Determine where the power will come from and specify the motor on that side of the shade.

OPENING HEIGHT PATIO SHADES

remember that you are specifying the height of the tracks. This means that you need to determine how tall the tracks will be.

Typically for a patio mount the track height is the distance from where the box mounts to the ground.

UNDER (TRAPPED) MOUNT

- Track Height Under/Trapped Mount= Opening height minus Box (4.5" or 5.5")

OUTSIDE (OVERLAP) MOUNT

- Track Height Outside/Overlap Mount= Opening height plus 3" (Box mounts above opening. The additional 3 inches allows for the weight bar to retract above the opening.)

OPENING HEIGHT WINDOW SHADES

- When measuring the opening height on a window shade remember that you are specifying the height of the tracks. This means that you need to determine how tall the tracks will be.

Typically for a window shade the track height is the distance from where the box mounts (3" above the opening) to 3" below the window opening. This would be true for outside/overlap mount. Under/trapped mount you will need to deduct the box from the height of the opening to get the track height.

UNDER (TRAPPED) MOUNT

- Track Height Under/Trapped Mount= Opening height minus Box (4.5" or 5.5")

OUTSIDE (OVERLAP) MOUNT

- Track Height Outside/Overlap Mount= Opening height plus 3" (Box mounts above opening. The additional 3 inches allows for the weight bar to retract above the opening.)