

How to Measure for your New Residential Garage Door

Step 1: Height and Width

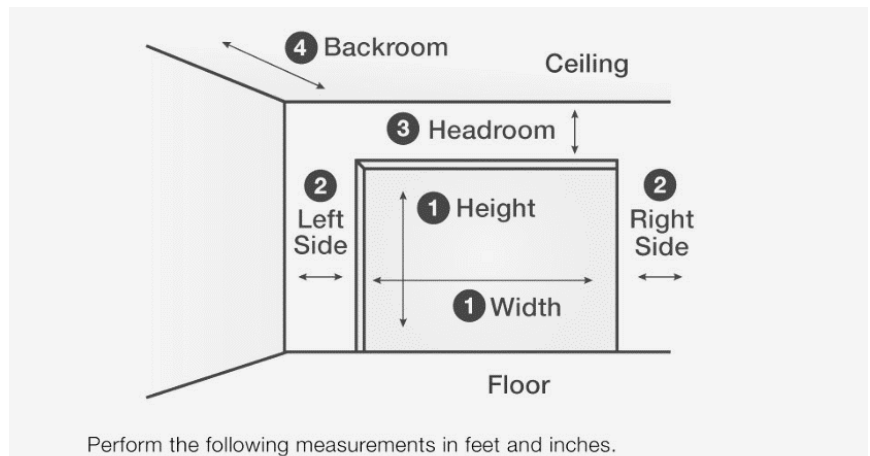
- The rough opening is the height and width of the framed opening not including stop molding
 - Rough opening should equal the same size as the door

Step 2: Left & Right-Side Room

- Side room is the distance required on each side of the door to allow for attachment of the vertical track assembly.
- 4-1/2" is required on each side for installation of the vertical track for standard extension or torsion springs

Step 3: Headroom

- Headroom is the space needed above the door for the door, over head tracks, and springs. There should be no obstructions in the garage within this space.
- Measurement from the top of the door opening to the ceiling (or floor joist) should be:



- Minimum 13" for 12" radius
- Minimum 16" for 15" radius
- Minimum 8.5" for front mount low headroom
- Minimum 4.5" for front mount low headroom

Step 4: Backroom

- Backroom is the distance required from the garage door opening toward the back wall of the garage.
- Minimum measurement should equal height of the door plus 18"

SHOULD I INSTALL MY GARAGE DOOR OR HIRE A PROFESSIONAL?

While some homeowners opt to install their garage doors on their own, many find it a convenient and worthwhile investment to hire a professional to handle installation. In most cases, professional

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garage door dealers can install your door in a significantly shorter amount of time than DIY installation, helping to ensure minimal disruption to your daily routine.