



With an ambition to create a minimum standard from which we all can work from both a selling and manufacturing perspective, the following guidelines have been established to empower our industry with a point of reference.

MANUFACTURING

1. Blind skins or cloth should be cut square.
2. If Recess fit – blinds should be made to fit at the point where the brackets are to be fitted.
3. If span over 2.3 Mt – we suggest tubes greater than 40mm in diameter .
4. Wide blinds – ‘V’ing in fabric may occur due to tube bowing (see above).
5. If drop over 2.1 Mt – Spring Assistance is recommended.
6. Railroading of fabric is not recommended.
7. Some fabrics are susceptible to cupping especially if fabric has been railroaded.
8. Side hems are not necessary and not standard.
9. When the blind is in the measured drop position, the tube is to be covered by fabric.
10. Blinds should roll up and down straight.
11. Blinds should always be supplied with the appropriate child safety components and chain ball stops.

INSTALLATION

1. There will always be a difference in size between the measured overall blind width and the cloth width. This difference can be between 25 -35mm. Therefore face fit and recess fit blinds will have gaps on both the pin and control ends of between 10-20mm depending on the tube system used by the manufacturer. This gap may be accentuated in a recess fit due to the light that filters through the gaps and into the room.
2. Face fit blinds will sit approximately 15mm in front of the window architrave and over rolled (or reverse rolled) blinds will produce a gap of approximately 60mm.
3. Blinds under 500mm wide and longer than 1000mm drop have a tendency to track to one side.
4. Blind brackets must be level on either side so blind can roll up and down squarely. Out of square windows – often found in older homes - will make the blind appear out of square.
5. Blinds must be installed with the appropriate child safety components.
6. It is strongly recommended that chain ball stops be fitted on to the looped chains by installer.

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