

# How to measure for replacement kitchen cabinet doors and drawer fronts

If you know the exact dimensions of the Cabinet Doors and/or Drawer Fronts (replacement for current door or drawer front) and plan on using the same overlay hinge, take a measurement of the back side of your existing cabinet door or drawer front by measuring the width first, followed by the height. Always measure twice as we will build the custom made cabinet door or drawer front to the dimensions you order.

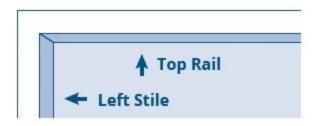




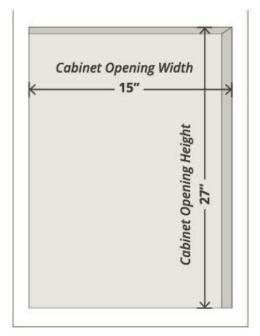
If you do not know the exact dimensions of your cabinet door or drawer front, you can follow these steps:

- You'll need a measuring tape and notepad to get started.
- Measure the wall cabinet or drawer front opening width and height.
- When measuring the width, measure from left to right starting with the inside edge of the left stile (vertical part of the face frame) to the inside edge of the right stile. When measuring height, measure from the inside edge of the bottom rail (horizontal part of the face frame) to the inside edge of the top rail.

### **Cabinet Rail/Stile**



# **Cabinet Opening (for both cabinet doors and drawer fronts)**



#### **Example (cabinet opening shown above):**

- If your cabinet opening is 15" wide by 27" high and you use a ½" overlay hinge (industry standard), add 1" to both the width and height measurements. The door size required to cover the cabinet opening would be 16" x 28". This cabinet door would overlay the face frame by 1/2" on all four sides of the face frame.
- Here's a simple formula using the above dimensions to help determine the replacement cabinet door size you need:

(Width of Cabinet Opening + (2 x Door Overlay)) + (Height of Cabinet Opening + (2 x Door Overlay)) = Actual Measurement

- (15" opening width x (2 x 1/2" overlay) = 16" width
- (27" opening height x (2 x 1/2"overlay) = 28" height

Note\*\* In the example above we use a 1/2" overlay. Your door overlay may vary (3/4", 1 1/4" etc.), so you'll need to take that into account when calculating your overlay and overall measurements. These measurements are guidelines. Ensure your measurements match the specifications of your exact hinge type.

#### **Double Cabinet Doors for One Opening**

If you need to measure for two cabinet doors for one cabinet opening we recommend the following calculation (using the most common standard 1/2" overlay):

- For double doors or "butt doors" (two doors on a single opening) with a 1/2" overlay:
  - Add 1" to opening height of the cabinet.
  - For width only, add 1" to the opening width, divide by 2, then subtract 1/16" for door gap.

### Example:

• Opening Measurement: 24" Height x 36" Width

• Height: 24" + 1" = 25" height

• Width: 36" + 1" = 37"

• Width Only: 37" divided by 2 = 18 1/2"

• Width Only 18 1/2" minus 1/16" = 18 7/16"

• Final Door Sizes (each door): 25" Height x 18 7/16" Width

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