

How to Measure for a Garage Door

STEP 01

Measure the width and height (**1 and 2**) of your door opening in feet and inches to determine the garage door size you need. The rough opening should be the same size as the door.

STEP 02

Measure area labeled sideroom left and right (**3 and 4**) in feet and inches – a minimum 3-3/4" is required on each side for installation of the vertical track for a standard extension spring or standard torsion spring.

STEP 03

Measure area labeled headroom (**5**), which is the distance between the top of the door opening (jamb header) and the ceiling (or floor joist). 10" is required for the standard extension spring while 12" is required for a standard torsion spring. If you have restricted headroom, special hardware is available. Additional headroom is required for installation of an automatic garage door opener.

NOTE: If garage door height extends above the opening, the headroom measurement should be adjusted proportionately.

STEP 04

Measure area labeled backroom (**6**) – distance is measured from the garage door opening toward the back wall of the garage. Door height plus 18" is required. Additional back room may be required for automatic garage door opener installation.

