

How to measure frame throat

Measure the finished wall and frame throat so the jamb depth fits the opening.



Illustration for reference; not to scale.

BEFORE YOU BEGIN

Record the opening number, dimensions, and existing conditions. Keep actual measurements separate from nominal order sizes.

STEP-BY-STEP CHECKLIST

- ☐ 1. Measure straight across the finished wall, including the finished surfaces on both sides.
- ☐ 2. On an existing frame, measure between the frame returns at the throat.
- ☐ 3. Check the measurement at more than one location because wall thickness can vary.
- ☐ 4. Record the finished-wall measurement separately from the frame face dimension.

Frame throat is the part of the frame that wraps the finished wall. Measure the complete finished wall thickness, including drywall, tile, or other finish. Check several places and use the measurement required by the selected frame profile.

Technical reference: [Tell Manufacturing Spartan frame reference](#)

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