

Discount Pool Supplies \& Equipment

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## GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS TO AVOID COMMON MEASURING ERRORS

- Draining your pool will make the measuring process easier, however, it is not required.
- Measuring your pool will be easier if you have another person helping you.
- Write your measurements legibly, using Black Ink.
- Make Copies of all Pages for your Records Before Mailing them to Us. You will need to refer to your copies if we have questions regarding your measurements.
- Actual pool measurements should be made even if original pool plans are available due to the fact that slight variances may have occurred during construction. The builder may not have followed the pool plan precisely.
- When measuring the pool, do not make allowances for weather conditions, temperature, or the fact that vinyl shrinks and expands.
- Please supply all measurements in feet and inches.
- All pools are different. Please measure your pool for an exact fit.
- Follow these "step by step" instructions carefully, referring to all diagrams to ensure accurate measurements. Remember to include your Name, Address, Phone Number and Email on each page that you send to us.
- Remember to record ALL of your measurements on Page 1 of the Measuring Form.



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## MEASURING INSTRUCTIONS

## STEP 1: INDICATE YOUR LINER TYPE

Refer to Page 1 of the Measuring Form to select the correct liner type. If you have a Beaded liner, select "beaded" or "Low Hung beaded." For beaded liners refer to Diagram 1 to view standard and reverse bead. If you have an overlap liner please indicate the amount of overlap you need in inches.

## STEP 2: CHOOSE YOUR POOL SHAPE

Select your Exact pool shape from those provided in Diagram 2. Record your pool shape on Page 1 of the Measuring Form, then proceed to Step 3. If your pool shape is not shown on Diagram 2, please refer to Diagram 3.

## STEP 3: CORNER TYPE

Refer to Diagram 4 to select the corner type on your pool. Record your corner type and the measurements indicated on Page 1 of the Measuring Form.
Note: If you have more than one type of corner on your pool (such as with a Lazy " $L$ " pool), please include a sketch of your pool indicating each corner type and the appropriate measurement along with the rest of the measuring forms.

## STEP 4: MEASURE THE LENGTH (A) \& THE WIDTH (B)

Refer to the illustration of your pool that you selected in Step 2. Be sure that the Length (A) and the Width (B) measurements are made at the Bead Receiver (where the liner snaps into the track), Not at the edge of the coping (the edge of the pool deck). Record your measurements in the "Dimensions" section of Page 1 of the Measuring Form.
Note: If your pool is an " L " or "Lazy $L$ " Shape, take All measurements for " $A$ " and " $B$ ", including $A 1, A 2$, $A 3, A 4, B 1$ and $B 2$.


## MEASURING INSTRUCTIONS continued

## STEP 5: MEASURE DIAGONALS - RECTANGLE \& "LAZY L" POOLS ONLY

If your pool is not a rectangle or a "Lazy L," proceed to Step 6. For a Rectangle pool, you will need to measure the pool on the diagonals (R and Q). For a "Lazy L" pool, you will need to make 2 sets of diagonal measurements: $(Z 1, Z 2)$ and $(Z 3, Z 4)$. Remember to make all of these measurements from the Bead Receiver, not the coping (refer to the illustration in Step 3). Refer to the diagram of your pool shape in Diagram 5.

Measure Diagonal from Squared Corners: if the corners are rounded (radius) or cut (diagonal), be sure to measure to squared corners. Refer to Diagram $\mathbf{4}$ for instructions on measuring to squared corners. Record your measurements in the "Dimensions" section of Page 1 of the Measuring Form.

## STEP 6: MEASURING SHALLOW END COVED BOTTOMS

Refer to Diagram 2 to determine if you have a Shallow End Coved Bottom. If you have a Shallow End Coved Bottom, follow the four easy steps in Diagram $\mathbf{5}$ to take measurements ( C ), ( T ), ( U ) and ( V ). If you do not have a Shallow End Coved Bottom, proceed to Step 7.

## STEP 7: HORIZONTAL MEASUREMENTS OF POOL BOTTOM \& DEPTH MEASUREMENTS

Refer to Diagram 6 for instructions on how to take these measurements. Make sure that you are taking measurements of the pool bottom on a horizontal plane. If you measure the slopes of the pool, you will have an incorrect measurement. The measurements you take will depend on what style of bottom contour your pool has. Select the bottom contour of your pool from Diagram 6 and take the measurements accordingly. Record all measurements in the "Dimensions" section of Page 1 of the Measuring Form.

## STEP 8: CONTINUE MEASURING ACCORDING TO YOUR POOL SHAPE DIAGRAM

Refer to your pool shape diagram to complete the rest of the measurements asked for. Record your measurements in the "Dimensions" section of Page 1 of the Measuring Form.

## STEP 9: VINYL - COVERED STEP SECTIONS

If your pool has a built-in step section that is covered with vinyl, you must complete Page 2 of the Measuring Form. Please check the "Vinyl-Covered Step Sections" box on Page 1 of the Measuring Form.

## STEP 10: INDICATE LINER PATTERN \& GAUGE

Choose up to 2 liner patterns and corresponding gauges that you would like to receive quotes on.

## STEP 11: REVIEW

Review all of your measurements, being sure that all of the "Quick Checks" are correct.

## DIAGRAM 1: STANDARD OR REVERSE BEAD



## DIAGRAM 2: POOL SHAPES

Identify the shape of your pool from the illustrations below. You will need to make all of the measurements indicated (detailed instructions for measuring are in the Measuring Instructions). If you have any unusual features on your pool that extend into the pool (such as a built-in spa, fountain or water feature, etc.) you will need to draw these on the diagram, take measurements and send us the diagram along with the rest of your measuring form. It is also helpful to include photos of these types of unusual features.
What If My Pool Shape Is Not Illustrated Below? If you do not see your pool shape below, look at Diagram $\mathbf{3}$ and follow the instructions.


## DIAGRAM 3: OTHER POOL SHAPES

If you did not find your pool shape in Diagram 2, find your pool shape on this page. Call us at 800-288-7946 ext. 5 (or fax us at 1-877-292-5773 or email us at customforms@intheswim.com) with the drawing reference number of your pool shape (DWG-00-xxx).
Note: You will still need to follow the rest of the steps in the Measuring Instructions and fax in Page 1 of the Measuring Form with the required information for an estimate on your liner.
If your pool shape is not pictured here, please call us at 800-288-7946 ext. 5 for assistance or email us at customforms@intheswim.com.
DWG 00-203

## DIAGRAM 4: MEASURING WITH CORNERS

Choose your corner type from the illustrations below. Remember to indicate your corner type on Page $\mathbf{1}$ of the Measuring Form and to provide the required measurements.

## INSTRUGTIONS FOR STEP 5: MEASURING DIAGONALS

( $\mathbf{Q}$ and R) for Rectangle and ( $\mathbf{Z 1}, \mathbf{Z 2 ,} \mathbf{Z 3}, \mathbf{Z 4}$ ) for "Lazy L" Pools: When measuring Diagonals for pools with radius (rounded) or cut (diagonal) corners.
Be sure to measure from Point 1, (on Image B), NOT the Edge of the Pool! Point 1 = Imaginary Corner where Sidewalls would meet if they were extended to make a square corner

## CUT CORNERS (Diagonal)

Cut corners must be measured. Refer to Image A. Record this measurement for Cut Corners on Page 1 of the Measuring Form:

Point 1 to Point 2: $\qquad$

## RADIUS (Rounded) CORNERS

Radius corners must be squared before measuring. Use 2 straight edges to form an imaginary square corner, mark where the edges meet as Point 1. Measure from imaginary corner (Point 1) to Point 2. Refer to Image B. Record this measurement for Radius Corners on Page 1 of the Measuring Form:

Point 1 to Point 2: $\qquad$

## 90 DEGREE CORNERS (Square)

No additional measurements are required. Select " 90 Degree" corner on Page 1 of the Measuring Form:



## DIAGRAM 5: SHALLOW END COVED BOTTOM

STEP A: Measure the depth (C) of the shallow end of your pool. Be sure to measure from the bottom of the pool floor to the bead receiver (for beaded liners) OR to the board where the liner is nailed/stapled (for overlap liners). Do Not measure to the top of the pool if you have a beaded liner, your measurement will be incorrect.

STEP B: Measure from the bead track (beaded hung liners) or from top of the pool (overlap hung liners) down to where the cove (T) begins. Subtract (T) from (C) to determine (U).

STEP C: With a pole, locate the spot where the cove meets the floor. Use a carpenter's level to verify that the pole is vertical. Measure from the pool wall to the pole to determine (V).

STEP D: If the cove along the sidewall differs from the end wall cove, please notate on separate paper and include with the measuring form.

TIP!
Be sure that ( V ) is a Horizontal Measurement, Do Not Measure the Slope of the Cove.
We only use measurements parallel to the deck. See the diagrams to the right for the correct way to measure a coved bottom.


## DIAGRAM 6: HORIZONTAL MEASUREMENTS OF POOL BOTTOM \& DEPTH MEASUREMENTS BOTTOM CONTOUR

Choose the Bottom Contour of your pool from Illustration D below to determine which measurements you will need to take.

How do I measure the bottom of my pool?
You will be able to make horizontal measurements of your pool bottom without entering the pool. Taking these measurements is easier than you may think, when you use this easy-to-make measuring tool.

## You will need:

1. A long straight pole (telepole)
2. String attached to one end of the pole
3. Some sort of weight tied to the other end of the string
4. A measuring tape

Follow the instructions below, using your fishing pole, to make these measurements.


Horizontal Bottom Measurements: Use your "fishing pole" to "fish" for a point on the bottom of the pool. With the pole parallel to the ends of the pool and the string vertical (allow no slack in the string), measure the distance from the edge of the pool (water's edge) to the end of the pole where string is attached. You should "fish" for points that will achieve the desired measurements based on the bottom contour of your pool (pictured above). For example, to take measurement (H), you would stand on one side of the pool, and "fish" for a corner of the Hopper. You would then measure the distance from the edge of the pool (water's edge) to the end of the pole where the string is attached.

Depth Measurements: When taking the depth measurements (C) and (J), be sure to measure from the bottom of the pool floor to the bead receiver (for beaded liners) $O R$ to the to board where the liner is nailed or stapled (for overlap liners). Do not measure to the top of the pool if you have a bead receiver, your measurement will be incorrect

## QUICK CHECK

$\mathbf{C}+\mathbf{S}$ must equal J
Note: $S$ is a difficult measurement to take unless you are inside the pool. It is not necessary to measure $S$; it is used mainly as a cross-check to verify measurement $J$.

D $+\mathbf{E}+\mathbf{F}+\mathbf{G}$ must equal A for a Standard Hopper
(A is the length of pool taken in Step \#4)
$\mathrm{E}+\mathbf{G}$ must equal A for a Wedge
(A is the length of pool taken in Step \#1)
D $+\mathbf{E}+\mathbf{F}+\mathbf{G}+\mathbf{H} 1$ must equal A for a Safety Ledge (A is the length of pool taken in Step \#4)
H + I + H must equal B for Standard Hopper and Wedge (A is the length of pool taken in Step \#4)
H1 + H + I + H + H1 must equal B for Safety Ledge ( $B$ is the width of pool taken in Step \#4)

Be sure that $(\mathrm{H})$ is a Horizontal Measurement, Do Not Measure the Slope of the Cove.
We only use measurements parallel to the deck. See the diagrams to the right for the correct way to measure a coved bottom.

$\qquad$ Email Address: $\qquad$
Address: $\qquad$ City: $\qquad$ State: $\qquad$ Zip Code:

Daytime Phone: ( ) $\qquad$ Evening Phone: ( Source Code (In the blue box on the back of your catalog): $\qquad$

## 1. LINER TYPE: (See Measuring Instructions Step 1)

## BEADED

$\square$ STANDARD BEADEDSPECIAL BEADED

LOW HUNG BEADED
OVERLAP
How many inches of liner do you need for the overlap? $\qquad$

## 2. VINYL COVERED STEP SECTIONS:

(See Measuring Instructions Step 9)
If you have a step section that is covered by the vinyl liner, check this box. You must also complete the reverse side of this measuring form, "Page 2" and fax or mail it with this page.

## 3. LINER PATTERN: (See Measuring Instructions Step 10)

If you would like to receive quotes on more than one pattern, please list both patterns and guages below. Note: Overlap liners Do Not have a tile border.

PATTERN NAME: $\qquad$
PATTERN NAME: $\qquad$

## 4. POOL SHAPE: (See Measuring Instructions Step 2)

Enter the Pool Shape you selected from Diagram 3:
On the line below enter the Manufacturer or Brand Name of pool (if available):

## 5. CORNER TYPE: (See Measuring Instructions Step 3)

Please indicate your corner type below. If your corners are Radius (rounded) or Cut (diagonal), enter the measurements below. (Refer to Diagram 4 for instructions on how to measure corners).CUT CORNERS (Diagonal, Point 1 to Point 2: $\qquad$ inches)RADIUS CORNERS (Rounded, Point 1 to Point 2: $\qquad$ inches)
$\square 90$ DEGREE CORNERS (Square, No measurement needed)

SUBMIT FORM:
Submitting this measuring form indicates you have verified your measurements and the information you have provided is correct. Your new liner will be made to these specifications once your order is placed.

## 6. DIMENSIONS: (See Measuring Instructions Steps 4-8)

Please transfer all of the measurements you have taken into the appropriate spaces below. Note: you may not use all the letters below, depending on your pool shape.
A. $\qquad$ ft . $\qquad$ in.
B. $\qquad$ ft. $\qquad$ in.
C. $\qquad$ ft . $\qquad$ in.

C1. $\qquad$ ft. $\qquad$ in.
D. $\qquad$ ft. $\qquad$ in.
E. $\qquad$ ft. $\qquad$ in.
F. $\qquad$ ft . $\qquad$ in.
G. $\qquad$ ft. $\qquad$ in.
H. $\qquad$ ft . $\qquad$ in.

H1. $\qquad$ ft . $\qquad$ in.
I. $\qquad$ ft . $\qquad$ in.
J. $\qquad$ ft . $\qquad$ in.
K. $\qquad$ ft . $\qquad$ in.
L. $\qquad$ ft . $\qquad$ in.
M. $\qquad$ ft . $\qquad$ in.
N. $\qquad$ ft . $\qquad$ in.
0. $\qquad$ ft . $\qquad$ in.
P. $\qquad$ ft. $\qquad$ in.

## 7. LINER TYPE: (See Measuring Instructions Step 7)

Please verify measurements.

| $\square$ STANDARD HOPPER | $\mathrm{G}+\mathrm{F}+\mathrm{E}+\mathrm{D}=\mathrm{A}$ | $\square$ YES |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | $\mathrm{H}+\mathrm{I}+\mathrm{H}=\mathrm{B}$ | $\square$ YES |
| $\square$ CONSTANT SLOPE | $\mathrm{E}=\mathrm{A}$ | $\square$ YES |
|  | $\mathrm{I}=\mathrm{B}$ | $\square$ YES |
| $\square$ WEDGE | $\mathrm{G}+\mathrm{E}=\mathrm{A}$ | $\square$ YES |
|  | $\mathrm{H}+\mathrm{I}+\mathrm{H}=\mathrm{B}$ | $\square$ YES |
| $\square$ SAFETY LEDGE | $\mathrm{H} 1+\mathrm{G}+\mathrm{F}+\mathrm{E}+\mathrm{D}=\mathrm{A}$ | $\square$ YES |
|  | $\mathrm{H} 1+\mathrm{H}+\mathrm{I}+\mathrm{H}+\mathrm{H} 1=\mathrm{B}$ | $\square$ YES |

## VINYL COVERED STEPS: (Complete this page only if you have steps that will be covered by the liner.)

Name: $\qquad$ Email Address: $\qquad$
Phone: ( ) $\qquad$ Fax: ( ) $\qquad$

$\square$ STRAIGHT RECESSED STEP Measurement:

$\square 90$ DEGREE CORNERS (Square) No measurement needed

## $\mathbf{9 0}^{\circ}$ (Square) No measurements

 required.

## FLUSH STEP

No measurement needed


The step is Flush, No measurements are needed

## 3. STEP SECTION

Record all the measurements in the boxes provided. Measure the Height of the risers and the Depth of the treads. To check your measurements, verify that the sum of all the Riser Heights equals the Wall Height (WH). Also, verify that the sum of all the Tread Depths equals the Total Step Section Depth (D).

| STEP SEGT. MEASUREMENTS |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| W |  |
| D |  |
| WH |  |
| R1 |  |
| R2 |  |
| R3 |  |
| R4 |  |
| T1 |  |
| T2 |  |
| T3 |  |
| $X$ |  |
| Y |  |



## 4. WHAT IS THE STEP POSITION?

Please circle the position that best describes the location of your steps. Please circle only one.
Provide the measurements $(X)$ and $(Y)$ in the Step Section Measurements column.


Note: If step is at edge, then (Y) is zero.

## 5. DO YOU REQUIRE LOOPS?

Do you require loops to secure stairs with rods? (select only one)
$\square$ YES $\square$ NO


