

# *DIY Installation Guide*

## *Series 61 Rods*

### *Before You Start*

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#### **TOOLS REQUIRED**

- Measuring tape
- Pencil and paper
- Ladder
- Screwdriver
- Drill
- Spirit level
- Wall or ceiling plugs
- Appropriate fixing screws
- Straight edge (optional)
- Allen key

#### **DON'T FORGET TO**

- Carefully open the package and inspect the Goods for any damage during shipping
- Check that the enclosed quantity, colour, brackets and accessories of your Goods matches your Order Invoice and the completed Quality Control checklist enclosed
- Notify Decorators Market within 7 days if you find any issues with the Goods

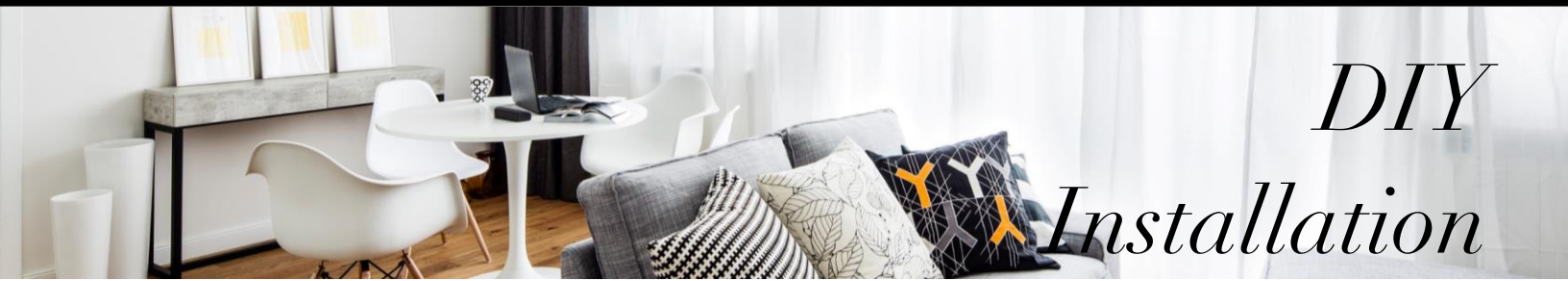
#### **PAY ATTENTION TO**

- The mounting surface which needs to provide adequate structural support to withstand the weight of the curtains.
- Ensuring there are no hidden pipes, cables, asbestos or metal beams behind where the screws will be drilled in to. Decorators Market recommends you seek professional assistance before you install.
- Componentry such as glides, runners, hooks and grub screws can break, or get lost, if not handled with care

#### **MOST IMPORTANTLY**



Installing your own curtain rods is a relatively simple DIY task. However, if you are unsure about installing them yourself, we always recommend you contact a professional Installer first.



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## Installation Instructions

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### STEP 1 - INSPECT THE BRACKETS



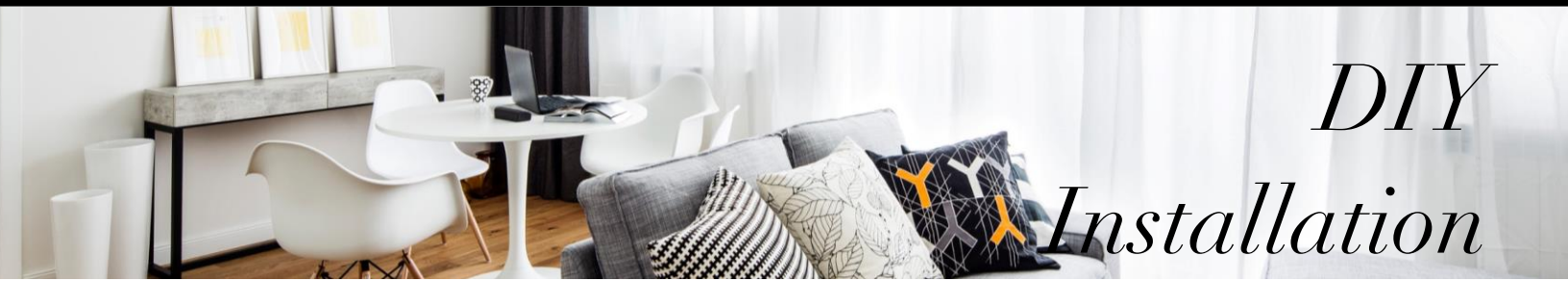
### STEP 2 - ESTIMATE THE BRACKET SPACING

1. Your curtain rods come with the appropriate number of brackets based on the rod length. We strongly recommend you use all the brackets supplied to install your curtain rods
2. As a general guide, spacing between brackets should be between 600mm – 1200mm depending on the weight of the curtains (closer brackets for heavier curtains).
3. It is also recommended that the end brackets are installed at least 150mm from the ends of the rods to ensure better weight distribution
4. To calculate the approx. spacing between the brackets, use the following formula:

$(\text{Total rod length} - 300\text{mm}) / (\text{number of brackets} - 1) = \text{approx. spacing between brackets}$

Example: 3.3m curtain rod supplied with 4 brackets

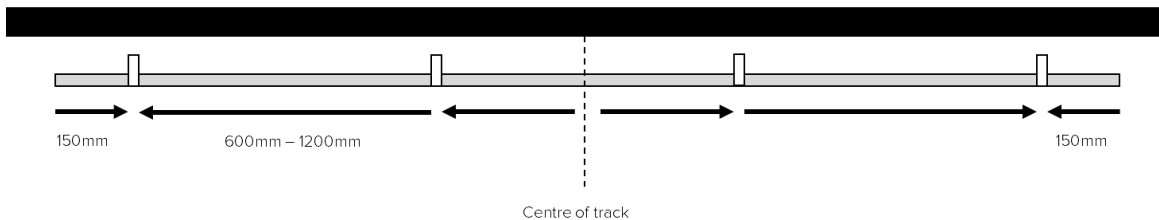
$(3300\text{mm} - 300\text{mm}) / (4 - 1) = 1,000\text{mm}$  spacing between brackets



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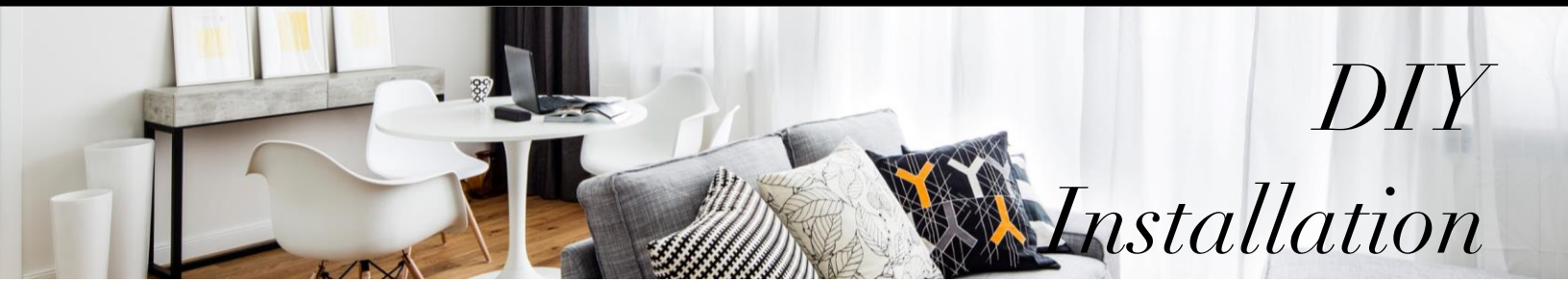
5. Adjust the spacing as required if you want to line the brackets up with any wall studs for a stronger installation
6. If you have heavy curtains that stack to one side, we also recommend reducing the bracket spacing on the side where the curtains will stack to approx 600mm
7. If you have an even number of brackets, or if your spacing doesn't include a bracket in the very centre of the rod, you will need to calculate the distances from the estimated centre of the curtain rod to the first brackets on either side of the centre
8. Record all of your bracket spacing details on a piece of paper

TOP VIEW (BRACKET SPACING)

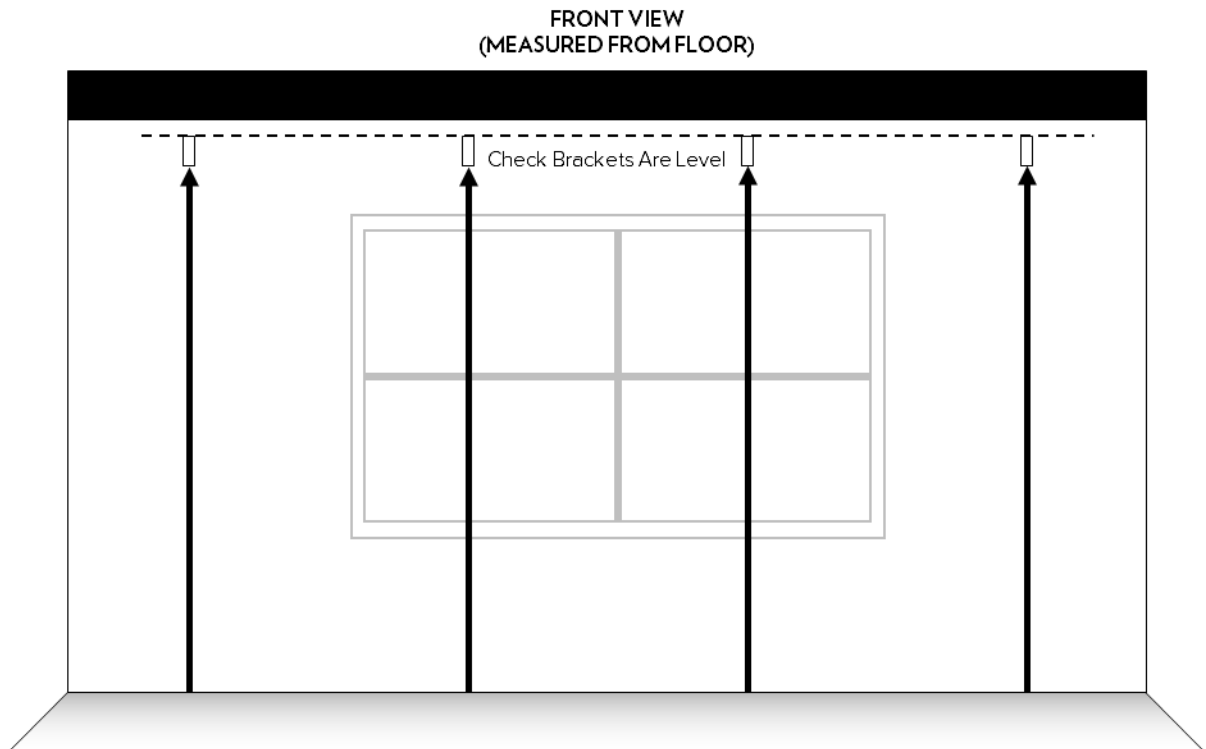


### STEP 3 - MARK AND INSTALL THE WALL BRACKETS

1. Measure the width of the wall where the rod is to be installed and lightly mark where you want the centre of the rod to be positioned
2. Using your measurements calculated in Step 2(8), lightly mark where the first brackets on either side of the centre of the rod should go
3. Lightly mark the approx. horizontal spacing of the remaining brackets based on the measurements you recorded in Step 2
4. **If Your Floors, Windows and Ceiling Are Level And Parallel**
  - a) If your floor, window frame and ceiling are all level and perfectly parallel to each other, measure the height from the floor to one of the centre brackets and make a light mark on the wall for the height. If you've already had your curtains made, we recommend checking with your workroom on the height they used for determining the curtain drop
  - b) Working from the centre outwards, measure the height of the remaining brackets from the floor and use your Spirit Level to check that the marks you have made for the brackets are level
  - c) An alternate method if your ceiling is level and parallel to the floor is to measure down from the ceiling or cornice to the required bracket height

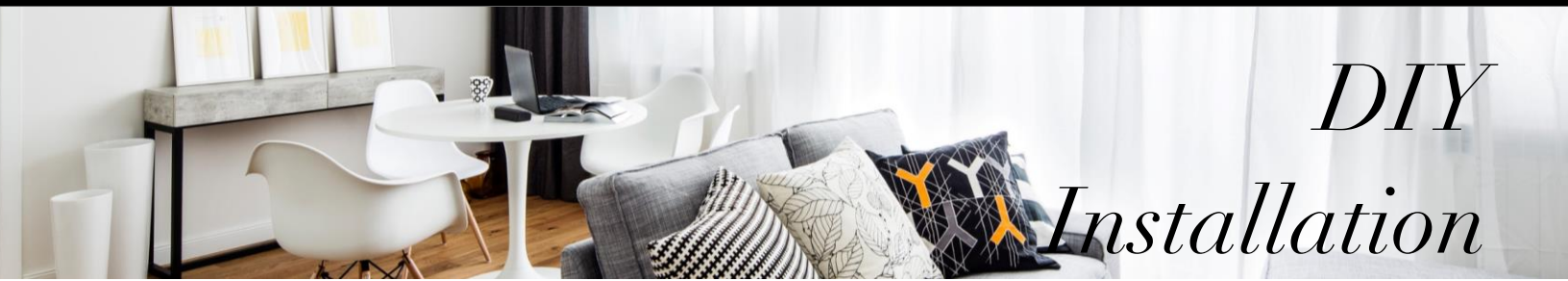


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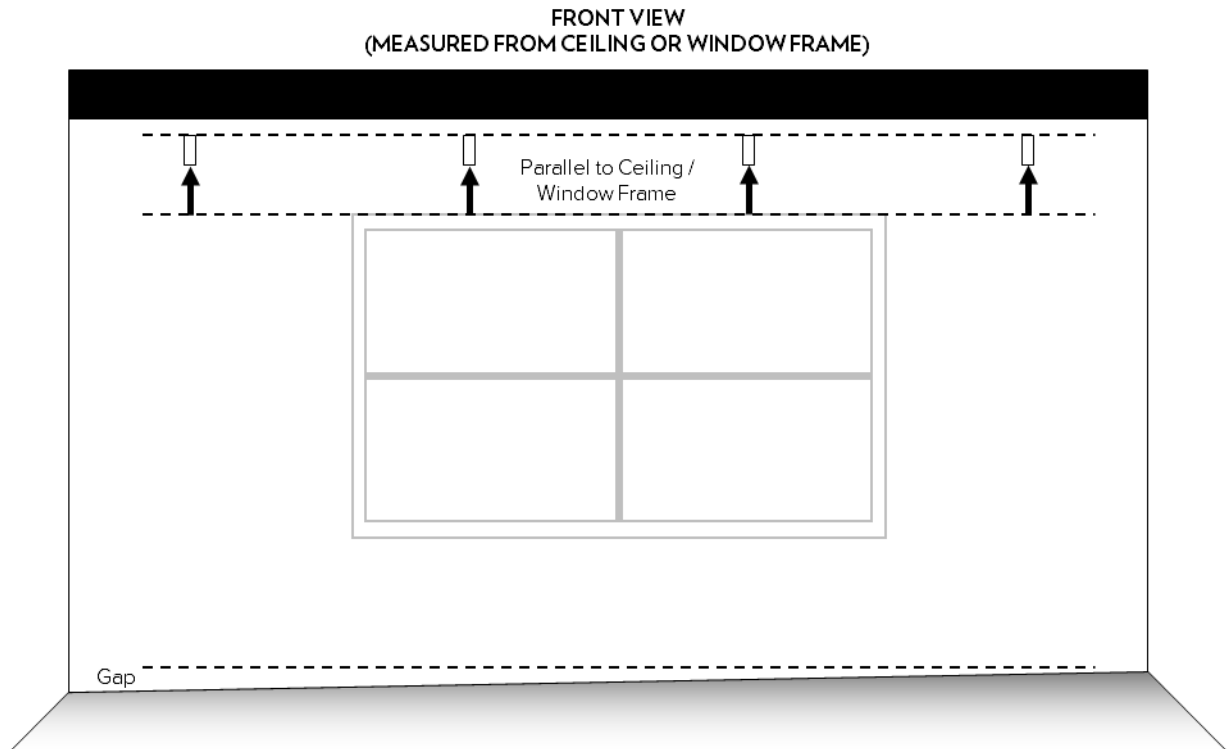


## 5. If Your Floors, Windows and Ceiling Are Not Level Or Parallel

- a) It's not uncommon for the floor, windows and ceiling to be at slightly different angles to each other (particularly in older homes) which means you need to choose what your curtains run parallel to
- b) We recommend aligning the curtains to the top of the window frame, or the ceiling, rather than floor. Whilst this may result in a gap along the bottom of the curtain and the floor, this is often less noticeable than the top of the curtain not being parallel with the ceiling
- c) If aligning to the ceiling or window frame, measure the required distance to the centre bracket and mark the wall
- d) Working from the centre outwards, mark the height of the remaining brackets, ensuring you use the exact same measurement from the window frame or ceiling
- e) Use your Spirit Level to check that the marks you have made are in a straight line with each other



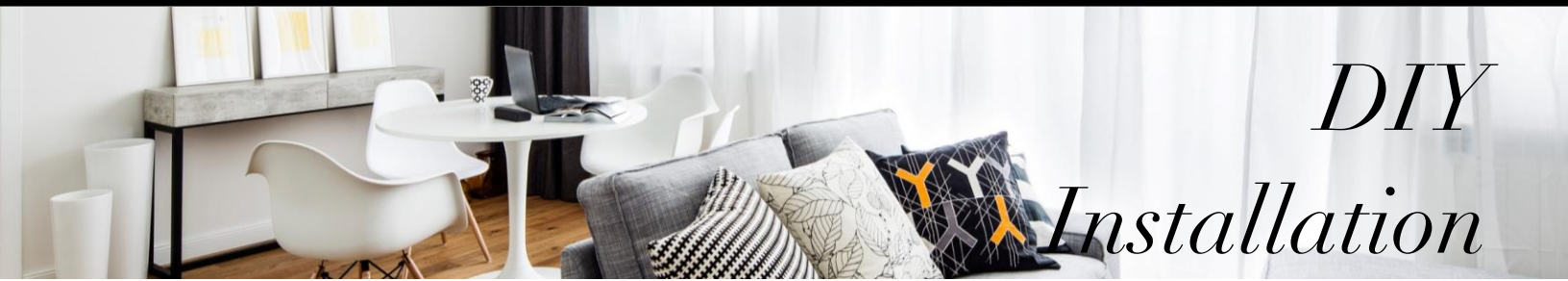
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6. Check that the wall area behind each bracket is flush and suitable for fixing the bracket to it

**NOTE:** Before you install the brackets, make sure you have selected an appropriate method for fixing them securely to your wall. Decorators Market recommends you consult a Builder or professional Installer about the best way to fix your brackets based on your wall type.

7. To install the brackets, we recommend starting from the centre and working your way outwards
8. For each of the Series 61 brackets, loosen the extension screws enough so that you can move the front bracket out of the way of the mounting holes
9. Position the first bracket on the wall where your mark was, and use your pencil to mark the screw hole positions
10. Drill the holes based on your chosen method of fixing the brackets and insert any plugs as appropriate
11. Insert the top mounting screw first and fasten so it is secure but not too tight (may need adjustment later)
12. Move the front bracket back into position and insert the bottom mounting screw. Fasten so its secure but not too tight
13. Install the next bracket by repeating Steps 3(8) – 3(12)



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14. Use your Spirit Level to make sure the two brackets are level. Loosen the mounting screws to adjust the bracket up or down to get it perfectly level
15. Repeat these steps for the remainder of the brackets
16. Once you are happy with the heights and levels of all of the brackets, tighten the screws firmly

## **STEP 5 - ATTACH THE ROD**

1. To attach the rod, simply put it onto the bracket and tighten the locking screw with an Allen Key to secure it in place
2. Repeat for each of the remaining brackets

## **STEP 6 - ADJUST THE ROD**

3. Once the rod is attached to the brackets, you can loosen the extension screws to move the brackets back and forth to adjust their distance from the wall
4. Once you are happy with the distance from the wall, firmly tighten the extension screws