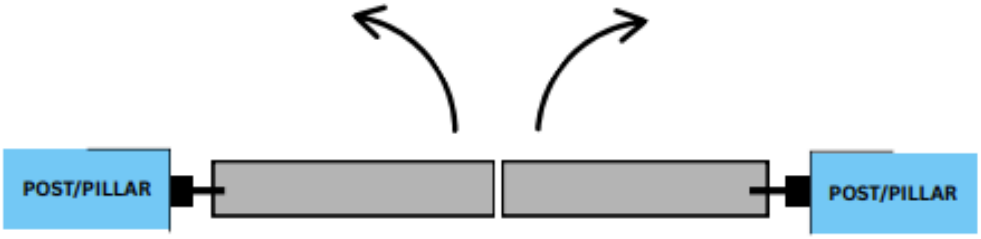
How to. Chapter One Before You Measure.

1. You can hang them on a pillar or a post but the first thing you need is to decide if they want to be side hung or rear.

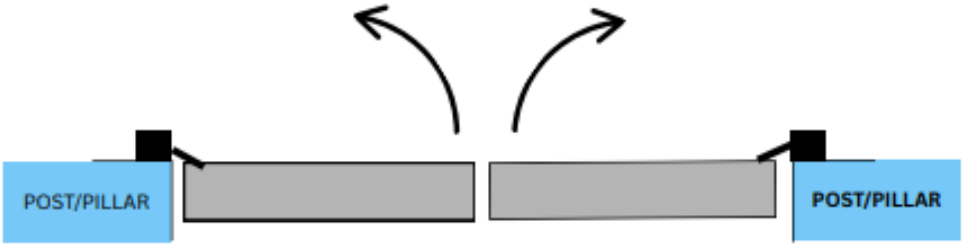
Rear hung is much more popular with driveway gates but there must be space where the gate and if auto the motor will be.

Side hung are much more suited to side gates but they can be used on driveway gates if there isn't space.

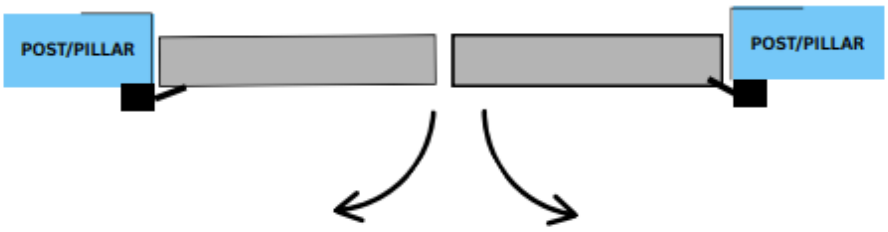
Example One Side Hung Gates



Example Two, Rear Hung Gates



Example Three, Front Hung Gates

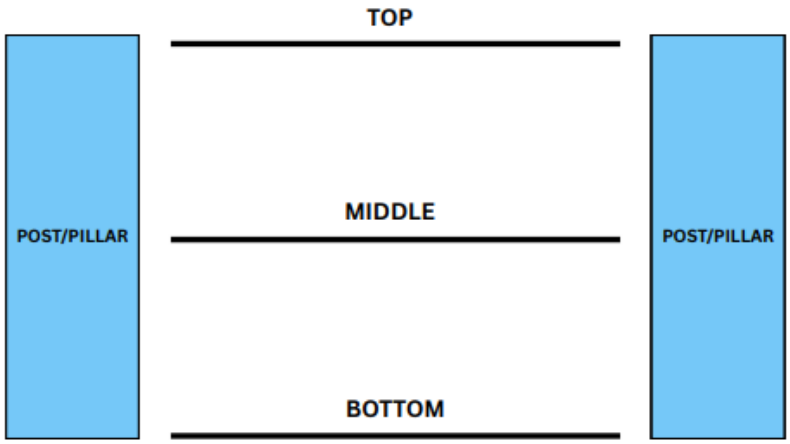


How to. Chapter Two Measure Swing Gates.

Next, we measure. We need to measure both hight and width.

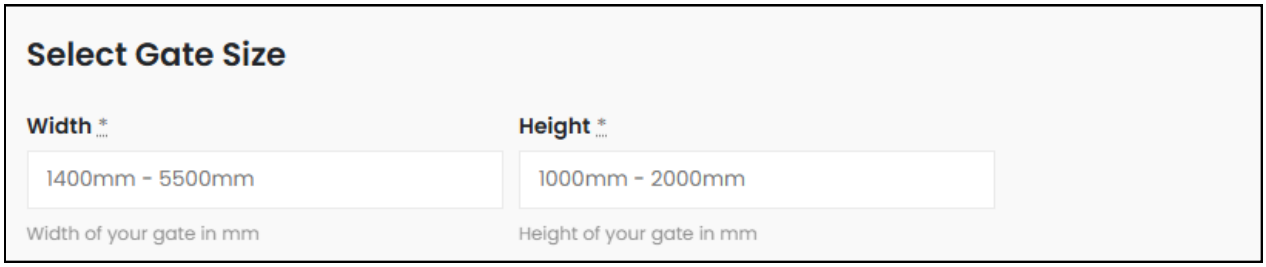
To measure the width, we will measure the opening at the top, middle and bottom. Look for any areas that seem to narrow the gap as this is what you need to be careful with.

You need to narrowest measurement. We will automatically deduct the gaps as per the table below.



When on the site simply input the sizes in the boxes.

When measuring height, it's important to look at the drive. We use a laser level on our own jobs, but a level string or a spirit level does the job just as well.



You will need to measure from the highest point to the height you want. Be sure to check from ledges or lips on the pillars if using brick pillars as they will limit the height you can go to.

Take the measurement of your highest point to the point you want the gate to sit at and voila, there is your height.

As with the width we will always allow for a 70 to 100mm gap under the gate automatically so just use the measurement with no deductions.

I have added a small table below to show you the gaps we aim for below.

Driveway gate gap chart in mm

Hinge Setup	Hinge Gap	Centre Gap	Floor gap
Side Hung	35	20	80
Rear Hung	10	20	80
Auto *	35	20	80