
CROWN

7/8" FRENCH ROD INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

Please read instructions thoroughly before installing. Some steps will be difficult to review during the process.

Tools Needed:

- Tape Measure
- Drill/Screwdriver
- #2 Phillips Bit
- Medium Flat-head Screw driver
- 3/8" Drill Bit
- Level

Included Components

- Rod
- Rings
- 2 Wall Plates
- Set Screws
- Allen Wrench
- Screws
 - NOTE: We do not recommend using plastic inserts to hold our drapery rods.
- Center Supports - As Needed
- Center Splice - As Needed

Preparation:

- Layout Components, each rod requires two (2) wall plates, appropriate rings, and a center support for rods 72 inches or longer.
- Assemble Rod, attach one wall plate by inserting it into one end of the French Rod. Insert the set screw and tighten with the included Allen wrench. When tightened and complete the wall plate should sit perpendicular to the French Rod.
- Add rings to match the number of pins set in your drapery.
- Determine the Finished Length of your drapery panels.

Installation:

- Measure the width of the outside edges of the window facing.
- Calculate how far outside of the window to place your brackets using the following example:
 $(\text{Length of the Rod} - \text{Width of Window Facing})/2 = \text{Wall Plate Placement}$
- For Example, a 48 inch rod being hung above a 40 inch wide window facing. $(48-40)/2 = 4$. The wall plates would each sit 4 inches outside of the window facing.
- Place a small mark on the wall the correct distance from the window frame and the floor.
 - **NOTE:** The top of the rod should measure 1 1/2" higher than the finished length of your drapery. For 96" drapery, the top of the rod should be installed at 97.5".
- Hold the bracket vertically on the wall in the marked position. Mark the holes from the bracket onto the wall. Using a drill fitted with a 1/8" bit, pre-drill the holes.

- If you do not hit blocking or a stud. Enlarge the top hole using your 1/2" drill bit and then insert a toggle bolt to anchor in the hollow wall. Tighten firmly with your flathead screwdriver. Insert the bottom screw into the wall plate. It does not require a toggle bolt.
- If you hit blocking or a stud. Simply attach the wall plate with the included wood screws.
- Take your French Rod including rings and place the end over the installed wall plate. Raise the other side with the previously attached wall plate and attach it to the wall using the same process as above.
- Tighten all set screws and insure the rod is secure. Set screws should be on top of the rod.
- Hang and dress your drapery panels.

For Rods 72" or Longer:

- Follow the above steps until you have one wall plate attached to the wall
- Prior to installing the rod, find the center of the window. Place the center support level with the wall plate.
- Use the same process of checking for blocking or a stud first, then using toggle bolts as necessary.
- Once the center support is installed, proceed with standard installation.

For Rods with a Center Splice:

- We strongly recommend having a helper for installing center spliced rods.
- During preparation take the machined center splice and place it halfway inside the straight end of the French Rod. Insert the set screw to hold it in place.
- Once the wall plate is installed. Have a helper hold the rod onto the wall plate and mark placement for the center support so once installed it covers the seam where the two rods meet. Install the center support.
- Take the second half of the rod, slide it over the center splice until the rods meet. Attach the end with the wall plate to the wall.

*To help rings slide more smoothly, we recommend using either dry silicone spray, clear wax, or a hard bar of soap applied to the top of the rod.