



Measuring for Garage Longspan Shelving

A Step-by-Step Guide for Accurate Installation

Introduction

Longspan shelving is a popular choice for garages across Australia, offering sturdy and flexible storage solutions for tools, sports gear, and household items. To ensure your shelving fits perfectly and maximises your garage space, it's important to measure carefully before purchasing or installing. Here's how to measure your garage for longspan shelving.

Step 1: Gather Your Tools

- Measuring tape (preferably at least 8 metres long)
- Notepad and pen or a smartphone for notes
- Spirit level (optional, for checking wall and floor evenness)

Step 2: Assess Your Space

Decide where you want to install the shelving—along one wall, in a corner, or across multiple walls. Clear away any clutter so you can access the area easily.

Step 3: Measure Wall Length

1. Use your measuring tape to determine the total length of the wall(s) where the shelving will be installed.
2. Note any obstructions such as power points, switches, windows, doors, or pipes. Mark their positions and dimensions on your notepad.
3. Subtract the width of these obstructions from your available wall space.

Step 4: Measure Floor-to-Ceiling Height

1. Measure from the floor to the ceiling at several points along the wall, especially if the garage floor is uneven.
2. Most longspan shelving units range in height from 1.8m to 2.4m. Ensure your ceiling height can accommodate your preferred shelving size with enough clearance.

Step 5: Measure Depth

1. Decide how deep you want your shelves to be—common depths are 460mm, 600mm, or 900mm. Custom depths are also available.
2. Ensure there's enough space to walk or park your car once the shelving is installed. Measure from the wall outwards, considering the shelving depth and any items you plan to store.

Step 6: Consider Garage Doors and Pathways

Check how shelving placement will affect access to doors, pathways, or your vehicle. Make sure the shelves won't block any entries or restrict movement.

Step 7: Record and Plan

- Sketch a simple layout of your garage, noting all measurements and obstructions.
- Use these measurements to select the right length, height, and depth for your longspan shelving.
- If you plan to install multiple units, leave at least a 50mm gap between each unit and any walls or obstacles for easy installation and stability.

Final Tips

- Double-check all measurements before purchasing or installing shelving.
- If in doubt, consult with the supplier or installer—they often provide advice or site visits.
- Remember to use metric measurements, as they are standard in Australia.

By following these steps, you'll ensure your longspan shelving fits perfectly and makes the most of your garage space.

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