SPECIAL UNPACKING INSTRUCTIONS - LIGHT BLOCKING BLINDS

Should you have ordered the Light Blocking Option on your wood blinds, please note that we have specially packaged the slats and bottomrail to make these easier to install in your home. Do not remove binding until the blind is installed in the window. Once you have assembled the headrail in the metal brackets (step 3), carefully remove the packing around the slats and bottomrail. You may then proceed to Step 4.

### Step 1. Check all hardware

Be sure you have all components identified in Diagram A.

**Tools you will need**
- Phillips screwdriver or 1/4" hex driver
- Pencil
- Hand or electric drill with 1/16" drill bit
- Tape measure

When using tools, make sure you have proper eye protection. Never use tools while under the influence of alcohol or other drugs.

**Choose the proper fastener**

For installation in wood or aluminum window frames, we recommend using the sheet metal screws included with your Custom Wood blind. For other types of wall construction, you will need to furnish different fasteners.

**Fastener options (Diagram B, from Left):**
- #8 screws for wood or aluminum
- Plastic inserts for drywall or plaster
- Auger threaded zinc or plastic inserts for drywall
- Molley bolts for plaster
- Toggle bolts for lath & plaster

**NOTE:** Fastener strength should be rated more than weight of blind.

### Step 2. Attach the brackets

**Installing end brackets:** Determine where to attach each bracket. Left and right brackets are marked. Insert screws in side or top for an inside mount; insert screws in the back for an outside mount. (Diagram C shows 1" wood slat brackets. Diagram D shows 2" wood slat brackets.) Make sure end brackets are level. Use two screws, mounted diagonally, to attach each end bracket.

**Installing support brackets** (where supplied): Center the support bracket between the two end brackets. Keep the top and back of each support bracket level and aligned with tops and backs of end brackets. If more than one support bracket is used, space the support brackets evenly across the width of the headrail. Insert screws in the top for an inside mount; insert screws in the back for an outside mount. Diagram E shows support brackets for 1" wood slats (left) and 2" wood slats (right).

### Step 3. Install the headrail

**1" Wood:** Lift headrail into position with front lip between the locking mechanism and bracket hook (Diagram F left). Slide headrail back toward window so front lip engages bracket hook, then push locking mechanism down until it snaps into place (Diagram F right).

**2" Wood:** Headrail must be placed between the upper and lower supports of the center bracket (Diagram G).

Insert the headrail into the end brackets and support brackets (where supplied) and sliding the headrail into the bracket. Then close end brackets cores until they click into place.

If you have purchased light blocking blinds, you may now remove the binding.
Step 1. Fix the headrail in the back for an outside mount.

Step 2. Fix the bracket in the top for an inside mount.

Step 3. Slide headrail in and close bracket cover. Introduzca el riel y cierre la cubierta de la ménsula.

Step 4. If your blind has the wand tilt option, attach the tilt wand

1” Wood Blinds:
Push the tilt wand sleeve up (Diagram J1), engage the S-hook as shown, then pull sleeve down (Diagram K1). Rotate the tilt wand to open and close blind slats. Use the pull cord to raise and lower blind.

2” Wood Blinds:
Engage wand hole with the tilt hook by attaching at an angle (Diagram J2).

Step 5. Attach the valance to the headrail (Diagram M, N & O)

Your valance may be attached to the headrail by several methods. Inspect the the hardware you received, then determine which steps to follow below:

If you received velcro or metal clips, see Diagram L.
If you received a plastic clip, see Diagram M or O.
   • For clip system featured in Diagram M, insert the clip into groove (position A). Rotate 90° to position B. When installing the headrail, align clip with punched slot near the ladder tape opening.
   • For clip system featured in Diagram O, determine where to position clip, carefully slide the back of the clip over the channel and push down slightly to lock into place. Position the valance into the bottom part of the valance clip. Push down lightly on the valance until the top clip slides over the top of the valance. Slide valance forward until the top and bottom of the valance are parallel to the headrail.
To remove - gently push the bottom of the valance toward the back of the valance clip, then gently push down on the valance, pop out the top of the valance from the top of the valance clip.

Step 5A. Attach the valance returns for outside mount blinds

For blinds that are mounted outside the window frame, returns are supplied with the valance. To assemble:
   • Insert the small plastic L-clip into the dovetail groove in the back of the valance as far as it will go.
   • Carefully push the valance return over the clip along the same groove as shown (Diagram N).

Step 6. Install hold down brackets (Optional)

These brackets are used where it is desirable to keep the bottom of the blind from swaying, such as on doors or on blinds exposed to wind. To install hold down brackets: Mark center of the bottom bar on each end. Drill 1/8” diameter by 1/2” deep starter hole to prevent chipping. Tap hold down pin into drilled hole. Screw the brackets to the mounting surface, as shown. Slip the pin into the hole in the bracket as shown (Diagram P).