Room Measurements
When decorating your space, it is important to have the correct room measurements. These measurements help determine the amount of floor covering you need and the appropriate rug size. They also provide the information needed to correctly position furniture, size window treatments and adequately light your room.

If you’ve never prepared a room layout before, have no fear! We have grid paper, an example layout and step-by-step instructions to make it easy.

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Step-by-Step
Directions for Measuring Your Space
In order to provide you with accurate Interior Design recommendations, it is important that we have your room measurements and that we know where windows, fireplaces and doors are positioned.

Example Room Layout
Print Graph Paper (Fill out one grid for each room you are having designed.)

1. Print out graph paper and the example layout from the above links.
2. Show all dimensions in inches to avoid confusion.
3. Make all notations and drawings in pencil so you can make changes easily.
4. Start with a rough drawing of your room (this does not need to be on graph paper). Include doors, windows, fireplace, breaks in the wall and any built-in units. This drawing does not need to be to scale, but you will use it to record the room’s measurements.
5. Note the measurement from corner to window casing, the size of the window casing, the height from the floor to the window casing, and the distance from the ceiling to the window casing.
6. Continue to measure around the room in the same manner.
7. Indicate in which direction doors swing and where they lead.
8. In the center of the grid, indicate ceiling height of the room.
9. Double check your measurements for accuracy by adding your measurements for each wall and comparing them to the opposite wall.
10. Now transfer your correct measurements to Karastan’s graph paper (the scale of each ¼" square = 1 foot (12”). Pick a starting point at the top of your graph paper. Refer to your measuring sheet and begin drawing the lines that represent the walls, leaving space for doorways, windows, fireplace, etc. Identify these spaces and add your measurements as shown on Karastan’s example sheet.

11. At the bottom of your sheet, note any variances or special features, that affect your layout.
Smith Living Room

24"  36"  12"  84"  12"  36"  12"
bookcase  fireplace  bookcase

16" hearth

96"  48"

156"

216"

60" hall to kitchen

Additional Notes
* Windows #1 & #2 start 8" from floor and are 77" high.
* Fireplace is 60" tall.
* 12" crown molding around entire room.
* Recessed lighting on ceiling.