



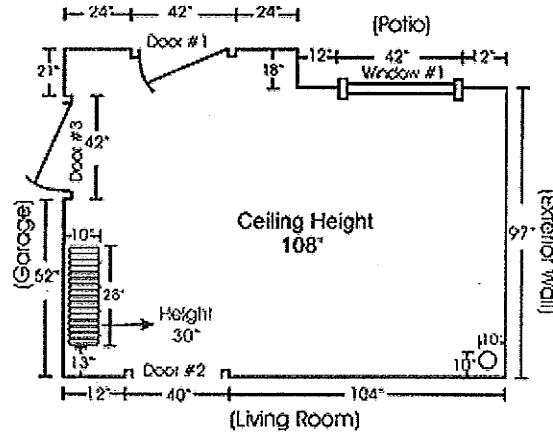
## Measuring for Your New Kitchen

Below is a step-by-step guide for drawing and measuring your kitchen.

*note: If you are remodeling, do not include current cabinetry or other furniture that will not be kept, such as kitchen tables, in your measurements.*

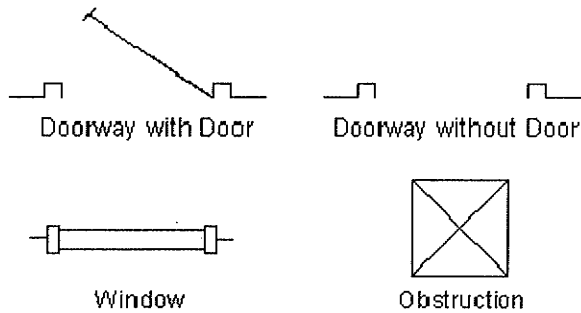
*note: All of your measurements should be in inches. For example, if you measure a wall that is 10 feet, write it as 120" ( a quotation mark (") denotes inches ).*

### Sample Drawing:



### Step 1:

Draw a rough outline of your kitchen. Use the following symbols in your drawing for doors and windows.



*note: For doorways with doors, draw the doorway according to which way the door*

swings.

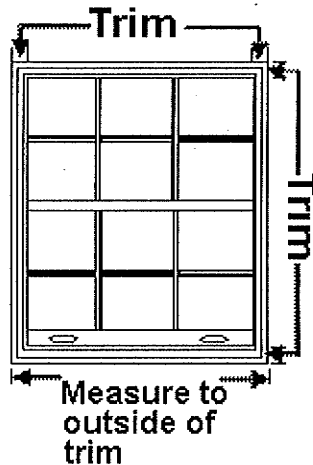
**Step 2:**

Draw in any obstructions such as radiators, pipes, sink plumbing, etc. that you either can not, or do not, want moved.

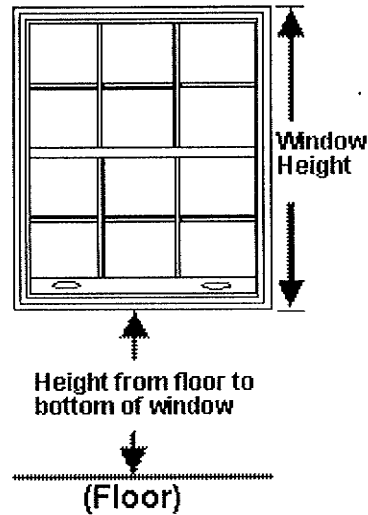
**Step 3:**

1. Beginning at the top left corner of your drawing measure to the first window, door, or wall. Continue clockwise around the room until each wall, window and door has been measured.

Note: When measuring doors and windows the trim is considered part of the door or window. As shown in the drawing below, measure from the outside of the trim on one side to the outside of the trim on the other side.



2. Measure the ceiling height and write it in the center of your drawing. Sometimes, especially with older homes, it is a good idea to take measurements in a few different areas of the kitchen. Ceiling heights, even in the same room, can sometimes vary by as much as a few inches.
3. As shown in the drawing below, measure from the floor to the bottom of each window and also measure the overall window height. If you have printed these instructions, write the measurements in the table provided below.



|           | Distance from Floor to Bottom of Window | Height of Window Including Trim |
|-----------|---|---------------------------------|
| Window 1: | (inches)                                | (inches)                        |
| Window 2: | (inches)                                | (inches)                        |
| Window 3: | (inches)                                | (inches)                        |
| Window 4: | (inches)                                | (inches)                        |
| Window 5: | (inches)                                | (inches)                        |
| Window 6: | (inches)                                | (inches)                        |

**Step 4:**

1. Beginning at the top left of your drawing, label the windows "Window 1", "Window 2", etc. in a clockwise order.
2. Again, beginning at the top left of your drawing, label the doors "Door 1", "Door 2", etc. in a clockwise order.
3. Next to each wall, write the name of the adjacent room. If the wall is an "outside wall" write "exterior wall."

**Step 5:**

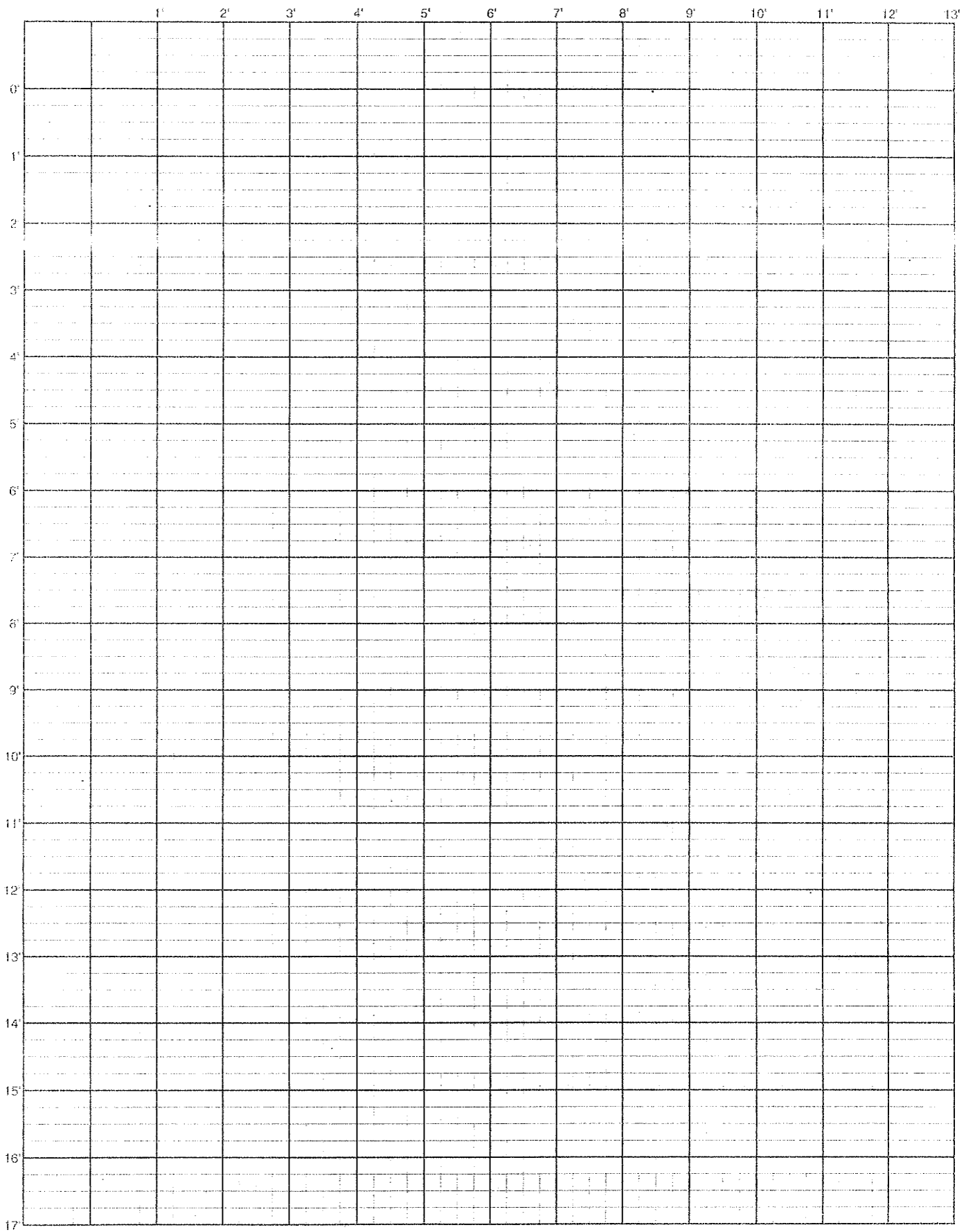
1. Measure any obstructions such as radiators, pipes, etc. that you either can not, or do not, want moved. If the obstruction is close to a wall, measure out from the wall to the edge of the obstruction.
2. Measure from the second closest wall to the edge of the obstruction.
3. If the obstruction does not span the full height of the room, measure the height of the obstruction.

Check your measurements. If your room is rectangular add up the measurements of the parallel walls and make sure they match (or are at least very close). For

example, in our sample drawing, you would take the overall measurements of the top wall and add them together. Then do the same with the bottom wall. Once you have added each walls measurements check the totals to see if they match.

|              |   |
|--------------|---|
| Top Wall:    | $24'' + 42'' + 24'' + 12'' + 42'' + 12'' = \underline{156''}$ |
| Bottom Wall: | $12'' + 40'' + 104'' = \underline{156''}$                     |
| Left Wall:   | $21'' + 42'' + 52'' = \underline{115''}$                      |
| Right Wall:  | $18'' + 97'' = \underline{115''}$                             |

Scale: 1/2" equals one foot, or each small square equals three inches.





## Kitchen Planning Guide

The Kitchen Planning Guide is geared to provide important information **Lifestyle Kitchens and Baths** will use to design a kitchen ideally suited to the needs of your home & family. Please feel free to print out this questionnaire, fill in the blanks and bring it with you on your first appointment with a designer. It's a great way to get started!

### FAMILY AND LIFESTYLE

#### 1. Number and approximate ages of family members:

infants/young children     teens     20 to 50 yrs     50+

#### 2. How long do you plan on living in the home you are remodeling/building?

1 to 5 yrs     6 to 10 yrs     11 to 20 yrs     20+

#### 3. Where does your family eat its meals?

Kitchen     Dining Room     Breakfast bar  
 Other: \_\_\_\_\_

#### 4. Where will your family eat after you remodel/build?

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#### 5. Do you require a kitchen table or would you be willing to explore other options if a design could be improved?

A kitchen table is required  
 A kitchen table is preferred but open to other options  
 A kitchen table is not necessary

#### 6. What other activities will take place in your new kitchen?

Laundry     Homework     Watching TV  
 Paying Bills     Sewing     Computer Center  
 Other: \_\_\_\_\_     Other: \_\_\_\_\_

#### 7. If your family has young children will they be using the kitchen frequently?

Yes     No    If yes, how? \_\_\_\_\_

#### 8. After your remodel/build will you entertain frequently?

Yes  No  
If Yes...

**What is your entertainment style?**

formal  informal

**Will your gatherings be...**

large  medium  small

**Do your guests help you in the kitchen when you entertain?**

Yes  No

**9. How do you shop?**

By meal  Buy bulk non-perishable/freeze  
 Weekly  Other

**10. Do you recycle?**

Yes  No

## COOKING STYLE

1. Who is the primary cook? \_\_\_\_\_

2. Is the primary cook  left handed or  right handed?

3. How tall is the primary cook? \_\_\_\_\_

4. Does the primary cook have any physical limitations?

Yes  No

5. What is the primary cook's cooking style?

Gourmet  Family  Quick & Simple  Baking  
 Take-out  Grilling  Other \_\_\_\_\_

6. Who is the secondary cook? \_\_\_\_\_

7. How tall is the secondary cook? \_\_\_\_\_

8. What are the secondary cook's responsibilities?

Preparing side dishes  Clean up  
 Assist in preparing main course  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

9. Does the secondary cook have any physical

limitations?

Yes  No

**10. Does the primary cook and secondary cook prepare meals together?**

Yes  No

**Do additional family or friends help?**

Yes  No

**11. Do you use specialty cookware?**

Mixer  Crock-pot  Wok

Platters  Other \_\_\_\_\_

## DESIGN AND STYLE

**1. What are your color preferences for your new kitchen?**

\_\_\_\_\_

**2. Are there colors you would not want in your new kitchen?** \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Have you created a scrapbook of notes, photos, and ideas that you would like to use in your new kitchen?**

Yes  No

**4. If your design could be greatly improved, would you be willing to make structural changes? (i.e. moving windows, doors, and walls)?**

Absolutely not  I would consider it

**5. What do you like about your current kitchen?**

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**6. What do you dislike about your current kitchen?**

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**7. Will you be keeping your existing appliances?**

Yes  No

*If Yes, which ones* \_\_\_\_\_

**8. What is your style preference for your new kitchen?**

\_\_\_\_\_

9. Do you have any special items you wish to include in your new kitchen? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

10. What is the age of the home? \_\_\_\_\_

#### TIME AND BUDGET

1. When would you like to begin your project? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. When would you like your project completed? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. If you are building, is the kitchen in your contract?  
 Yes  No

4. What is your budget for this project? \_\_\_\_\_  
Does that include labor?  Yes  No



## Bathroom Planning Guide

The Bathroom Planning Guide is geared to provide important information **Lifestyle Kitchens and Baths** will use to design a bathroom ideally suited to the needs of your home & family. Please feel free to print out this questionnaire, fill in the blanks and bring it with you on your first appointment with a designer. It's a great way to get started!

1. How long do you plan on living in the home? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What age is the home? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Does your current bathroom have sufficient space for towels, personal grooming products or other often used items?  Yes  No
4. Do you have adequate counter space?  Yes  No
5. Will this be a:  Shared bath  Private bath  
Is one sink enough?  Yes  No
6. Is there adequate ventilation?  Yes  No
7. Will you want:  Open bathroom  Compartmentalized spaces
8. Do you want:  Shower only  Tub/Shower combo  
 Separate tub and shower
9. Are there enough electrical outlets near the mirror?  
 Yes  No
10. Type of bathroom:  
 Powder  Children's  Master Suite  Hall
11. Who will use this bathroom?  
 Spouse  Clients  Children  Guests
12. How many will use this bathroom at one time? \_\_\_\_\_
13. What activities will take place in the bathroom?  
 Bathing  Hair care  Dressing  Exercising  Lounging

Laundering  Other \_\_\_\_\_

**14. Would you like "his & hers" facilities?**  Yes  No

**15. Do you prefer the toilet and/or bidet to be isolated?**  
 Yes  No

**16. Would you like a linen storage closet planned as part of your new bathroom?**  Yes  No

**17. What type of feel would you like your new bathroom to have?  
(mark all that apply)**

Sleek/Contemporary  Warm  Country  Traditional  
 Open and Airy  Personal design statement

**18. If your design could be greatly improved, would you be willing to make structural changes? (i.e. moving windows, door, walls)**

Absolutely NOT  I would consider it



### **Getting Started:**

1. Gather a scrapbook of notes, photos, and articles that you have collected.
2. Get together with your family and ask them for their input and wish lists.
3. Come up with a budget you can live with.
4. Draw a rough sketch of your floor plan and take measurements
5. If you would like, print and fill out the Kitchen Planning Guide.
6. Call us to make an appointment, or stop into our showroom.

### **Visiting our Showroom:**

The first time at our showroom we will . . .

1. Answer any questions you may have.
2. Review and/or assist you in establishing a budget.
3. Discuss your scrapbook of ideas (if you have one).
4. Discuss your floor plan (if you have one) and go over some design ideas.
5. Discuss your plans for utilizing the room you will be remodeling.

### **If You Like What You See:**

1. We will come to your home and take measurements.
2. The second time you visit our showroom, we will review and make suggestions in your home.

### **The second time you visit our showroom:**

1. We will create a design, and draft perspectives, elevations, and a floor plan.
2. If you like what you see, we will provide you with a price. A retainer would be required for further designs and drawing to continue. The next meeting is for you to discuss the design and any potential modifications you would like to make.

### **The Installation Process:**

1. If necessary, we will make arrangements with your builder, architect, and/or designer to coordinate the installation.
2. If necessary, we will help you arrange to have your existing cabinetry and appliances removed.
3. To ensure a quality installation, we will meet the installer at your home to discuss the details of your plan and installation.