Step 2: Measure

You've identified the items you want to keep and your space is clean—now it's time to measure. This is one of the most important steps in organizing your RV, and it's also one that many people skip. Measuring saves you time and money by avoiding multiple trips to the store or online orders for containers that don't fit. Measure before you buy anything so that you know what you're working with.

To get started, grab a tape measure. There may be areas of your RV that are hard to access or measure, like curved walls, so do the best you can. Consider using a fabric measuring tape that's more flexible and can give more accurate measurements.
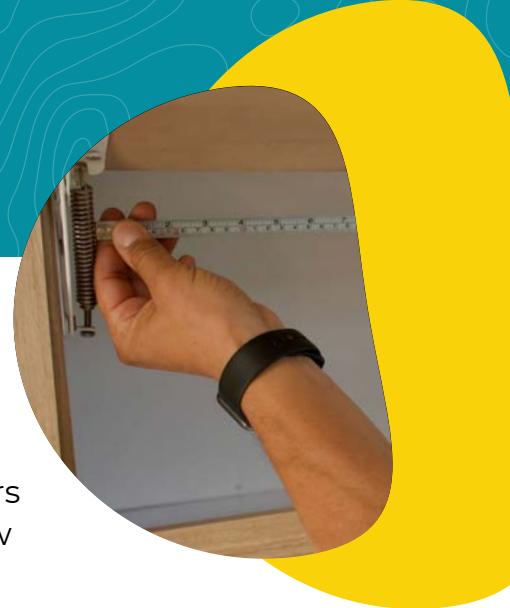
Measurements you will need

- Length
- Width
- Height

It's important to measure the actual usable space, which is where your containers and items are able to fit. The usable space in this example is between the spring areas of the hinges on both sides.

Togo Tip

Be aware of anything sticking out, such as hinges. Measure from hinge to hinge, not wall to wall.

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Accurately measure your space to determine what containers will fit best. If there are any hinges, screws, or anything else sticking out and into your storage space, you'll need to measure from that object.

Using your tape measure, take the following measurements:

Length

The length is the usable space measured from side to side.
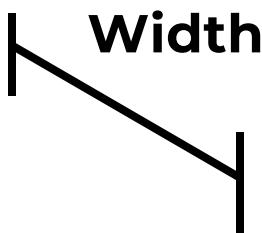
Width

The width, also known as the depth, is the usable space measured from front to back.
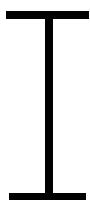
Height

The height is the usable space measured from top to bottom.

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Examples

Togo Tip Lean on the side of being conservative with your measurements. This ensures the containers you purchase will fit properly. If you plan to regularly take containers in and out of a space, give yourself extra wiggle room to make doing so easier.

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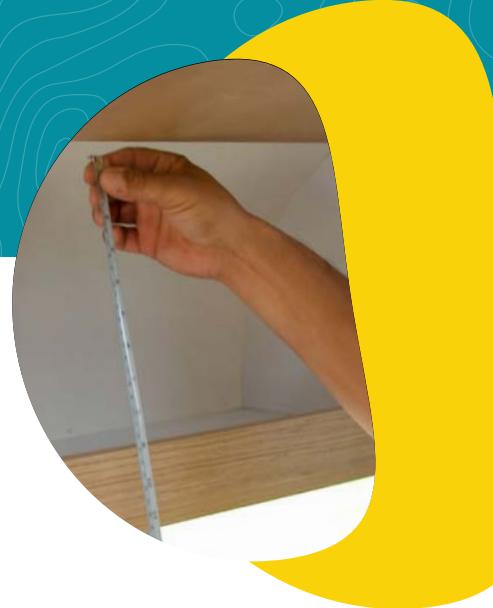
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Once you have measurements for each area you want to organize, the next step is to purchase storage containers.

Now it's time to create organizational systems, using containers to house your items. In the next step, we explain the different options for organizing your space and how to find what options work best for you.

"Getting organized doesn't have to be expensive; being disorganized is very expensive."
– Xiamora Romero

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