

BEFORE INSTALLATION

Steps to Determine Your Door's Minimum Rise (Step-over height)

1. First, measure the tallest pet from the floor to the high point of the back above the shoulder. Record the number.
2. Establish your door's "minimum rise". Minimum rise is the lowest the pet door threshold will sit in your door after install.
First, locate the bottom of the glass being converted.
Note: the bottom of the glass is often hidden by the stops or the door frame (sash) around the glass.
See diagram. A close guess is fine.
Use one of two methods:
 - A. After locating the bottom of the glass, measure up 3". Place a piece of tape on the glass to mark the spot. Then measure from there to the floor. This will be your door's minimum rise after install.
 - B. Or, measure up from the floor to the bottom of the glass being converted. Make a note of it and add 3". The total is your door's minimum "rise" or step-over after install.
3. Standard vinyl and aluminum framed doors usually have a net 5"-7" of minimum rise after install. Doors with thicker bottom rails (French doors and swing doors) will be higher. Every door is different.
4. We want to make sure the combination of the "rise" you select (minimum or added) and the pet door opening height total at least 1"-2" above the tallest pets back. This allows your pet to enter without hitting the top of the pet door or pinching the flap. If need be, we can add rise by raising the pet door up in the conversion frame. We offer added rise at +2" and +4" if needed.

