



How to fit an Internal Door

The following instructions are for installing a internal door only.

If you have any queries please contact Cheshire Mouldings technical helpline on (0800) 085 3464.

All components should be inspected BEFORE installation commences for any damage and all your items are correct before installation.

Whilst every care has been taken to ensure the information contained within these fitting instructions are correct, they are only a general guide, every situation is different. Please read through the fitting instruction fully before commencing any fitting, Cheshire Mouldings will not be held responsible for any mistakes made through incorrect fitting.

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You will need to take extra care when installing pre-finished components and some touching up will undoubtedly be necessary around the cut areas.

Cheshire Mouldings provides its top tips on how to fit an internal door:

Tools needed

- Screwdriver • Pencil • Hammer • Drill/driver and bits
- Safety glasses • Tape measure • Chisel • Saw • Plane

Cheshire Mouldings supplies interior doors in four different sizes 610mm, 686mm, 767mm and 838mm, all in keeping with standard door sizes. This means the doors are designed to fit a standard door frame and therefore only a small amount may need to be trimmed off the height and edges in order for them to fit.

If you are replacing a door then make sure you use the same sized hinges and position in the same place as previously used.

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Step 1

Remove the old door in the first instance. The aim is to replace the existing door, with a new door of the same thickness. If the door thickness is different, the doorstop position will need to be changed.



Step 2

Position the new door in the door frame. If the door is too big, mark the top of the door frame on the door height. Transfer this measurement to the bottom of the door and add 3mm taking into account the finished level of the floor. Draw a straight line across the door on both sides and depending on the amount to be removed either saw or plane off.



Step 3

Position the new door back in the frame again and this time check the width. There should be 3mm gaps along both sides. If the door is too big mark the door to the required size and reduce both sides equally using a plan.



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Step 4

Reposition the new door in the frame and mark the exact position of the old hinges onto the new door edge, ensuring there is a 3mm gap around all sides.



Step 5

Next lay the door on its side and use the marks to position the hinges. Draw round the hinges and also mark the hinge thickness on the front edge of the door as well.



Step 6

Once the markings for the hinges are in place, use a chisel to cut along the pencil markings.



Step 7

Make several cuts 5mm apart in the marked hinge area as this stops the wood from splitting. Use the chisel flat side down and tap it to remove the wood from the new hinge recess.



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Step 8

Once all the wood is removed from the hinge recess area, hold each hinge in place and mark screw holes using a drill. A 2-3mm bit is ideal for this.



Step 9

Screw the hinges in place on the doors.



Step 10

Fit the other half of the hinge in the existing hinge marks on the door frame and screw into place. You may need someone to hold the door in place for you while you screw the hinges in place. If you are not using the same hinge positions, the standard positioning on a door edge are 15cm down from the top and 22.5cm up from the bottom.



Step 11

Once the door is hung, it's now time to add on your door handles and catch.

