How to measure your home for Paneling or Log Siding:

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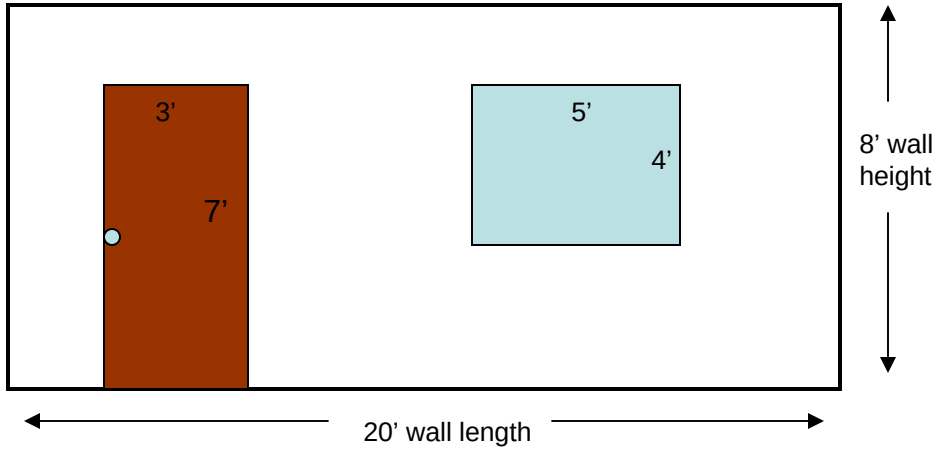
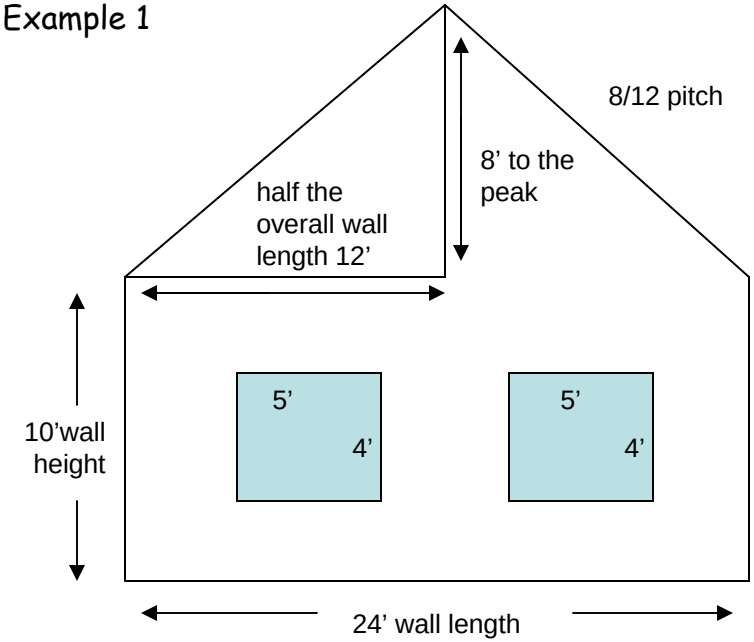
The easiest way to measure your walls for our paneling or siding is using the square foot method. To figure the square foot wall coverage simply measure the length of the wall and multiply it by the height of the wall. Each wall should be measured and calculated individually deducting the window and door openings for an exact square footage figure. See Example 1 for a standard wall and Example 2 for a gabled wall.



Example 1: In the example above there is an overall wall length of 20' and a wall height of 8', there is also a standard door that is 3' wide by 7' tall and a window that is 5' wide by 4' tall. To figure square foot multiply the length of the wall by the height of the wall to get the overall square footage (20 x 8 = 160 SQ FT). The next step is to deduct the window and door openings out of the overall wall square footage (3 x 7 (door) = 21 SQ FT plus 5 x 4 (window) = 20 SQ FT for a total of 41 SQ FT of deductions). Then subtract the window and door SQ FT total from the overall wall SQ FT to get the final square foot amount (160 SQ FT wall minus 41 SQ FT window & door openings = 119 SQ FT). There is a total of 119 SQ FT of paneling or siding needed to cover this wall.



Example 2: Figuring the square footage on a gabled wall is a bit more difficult but the same principles apply. Multiply the length of the wall by the wall height to get the overall SQ FT and subtract the windows openings (24 x 10 = 240 SQ FT minus the 40 SQ FT windows = 200 SQ FT). The peak is the tricky part, multiply half of the overall wall length (12') by the vertical distance from the wall height to the peak (8') to get the gable end's square footage (12 x 8 = 96 SQ FT). Then add 20% on the gable to cover the waste of all those angle cuts (96 x 20% = 115 SQ FT). Finally, add the wall SQ FT and the gable SQ FT together to get the final square foot amount (200 SQ FT wall + 115 SQ FT gable = 315 SQ FT). There is a total of 315 SQ FT of paneling or siding needed to cover this gabled wall.