John Lewis Roller Blind

Thank you for purchasing this product. Please read the instructions and warnings carefully before use to ensure safe and satisfactory operation of this product. It is recommended that this blind should only be installed by persons competent in DIY.

Please check the contents
1 x Fixing Bracket with Extended Plate (A)
1 x Fixing Bracket with Hole (B)
1 x Chain Operated Side Control (C)
1 x Spring Idle End (D)
1 x Roller Tube with Blind Fabric & No. Screws
1 x Safety P Clip

Please note: Additional fasteners other than those sent with your blind may be required depending on the mounting surface. Wallboard and plaster require the use of anchors such as expansion or toggle bolts. Brick, tile or stone need special plugs and drill bits. Remember to always pre-drill holes in wood to avoid splitting.

1. Positioning the blind

Decide whether you want your blind inside or outside the window recess. The blind can be top or face fixed depending on your window and the appearance you want. The blind should not be installed less than 1.5m from the floor.

1.1 Inside the recess

If fitting inside the recess (fig 1A), be sure to avoid any catches or window handles when opening the blind. When fitting inside the recess, you may face fix to the window frame but if your window frame is too narrow you will have to top fix. If you need to reduce the width of your blind to fit into the recess, this should be done before assembling. See point 2 Reducing the width.

1.2 Outside the recess

If fitting the blind to the outside of the window recess (fig 1B), the overlap on both sides needs to be the same. Allow a minimum of 5cm overlap on each side.

2. Reducing the width

You would need a small hacksaw, sharp pair of scissors or a cutting knife. Carefully measure the width of the recess in two places at least, top and bottom. Unroll the blind fully. Slide the required amount of fabric out of the one side of the tube that needs trimming; do not remove the fabric completely from the tube. To cut the blind to the required size, take your recess measurement and deduct 2cms. This will be the width that you should cut the tube to, using a small hacksaw. The blind fabric will need to be cut 2mm narrower than the tube. To keep patterns or detail symmetrical, cut the same amount from both sides of the fabric. You can either use a sharp pair of scissors or a cutting knife to do this job. If your blind has a bottom bar cut it to the same width as the fabric. Replace any end caps. The bottom bar has some double sided tape, peel off the top and secure to the fabric.

3. Assembling the blind

All blinds are packed reverse rolled (fig 3A) onto the roller with the face of the fabric facing outwards. Blinds are normally hung with the fabric drawing down from the back of the roller, with the face of the fabric facing the room (fig 3B). This means you will have to unroll the blind fully and roll it in the opposite direction taking great care that the fabric fold remains absolutely straight on the tube.

4. Side control system

Decide which side you need the operating chain. Before inserting into the tube, ensure the breakaway connector is in the correct position. For left hand control, position the breakaway connector at the top of the chain to the front of the control system. For right hand control, the breakaway connector needs to be at the top of the chain at the back. Push control firmly into the tube, repeat with opposite idle end (Fig 4).
5. Fixing the brackets
The brackets are designed for side, face or top fixing. Use a spirit level to ensure blind is straight and square. Remove the plastic covers from the brackets. Slot brackets onto your blind. The pin end of the fitting is spring loaded, allow enough tension to fit the blind between the two wall brackets. Lift the blind into the position you want it, making sure it is level and centered on the window. Mark location of first bracket with a pencil. Drill holes where you have marked using a 5.5mm drill bit, fit bracket using the screws supplied. Fit the blind into the one bracket you have fixed and once again pencil mark the position of the other bracket. Ensure it is level. Fit the bracket using screws supplied.

6. Installing the blind
Locate the side control end of the roller and fit it into the bracket A (Fig 4). Push the spring loaded pin in, allowing it to contract. Slide the blind into position and release the spring ensuring it fit into the hole. Operate the chain and ensure the blind is rolling up and down properly. To remove the blind, push the blind to the opposite end to the side control, allowing the spring idle end to contract, then pull the blind outwards. Alternatively take off the spring idle end plastic bracket cover, then using a screwdriver, push the idle end spring inwards and remove from bracket. If the chain comes undone due to excessive pulling, then simply reconnect the chain using the breakaway connector (Fig 6).

Shortening the chain
If you need to shorten the chain, simply undo the breakaway connector, cut one end of the chain to reduce the chain to the required length. Reconnect the chain using the same breakaway connector.

7. Fixing the safety device
How to fix —
A: Pull the cord/chain up into the P shaped clip (if ordered with a blind, this should be pre-attached).
B: Place the clip onto an adjacent wall or where the clip is to be fixed so that the loop can’t be reached by children, but still accessible to adults.
C: Make sure the cord/chain is pulled tight. Avoid over tensioning to the point where ball chain is prevented from rotating.
D: Screw the clip in place.

8. Care and maintenance
The fabric may be dusted using a dry cloth. To clean, wipe with a barely damp cloth.

WARNING!
Please read all safety warnings and installation information fully before installation. Young children can be strangled by loops in pull cords, chains, tapes and inner cords that operate the product. To avoid strangulation and entanglement, keep cords out of the reach of young children. Cords may become wrapped around a child’s neck.

Move beds, cots and furniture away from window covering cords. Do not tie cords together. Make sure cords do not twist and create a loop. The safety clips should be positioned high enough to be out of reach of small children yet accessible to adults. All safety clips for blinds need to be fixed to a solid surface using a screw and fixing suitable for the wall or surface material. These items should not be glued or stuck in place. The blind should not be installed less than 1.5m from the floor.

For further information go to: www.makeitsafe.org.uk Keep out of the reach of young children. Small parts — choking hazard.

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