Print these easy instructions to take to your spa for recording the measurements for a new cover. You’ll need a tape measure and pen or pencil. (If your spa has rounded corners, you’ll also need a carpenter’s framing square or straight edge to determine its radius). How we measure for the cover and skirt length depends upon the type of enclosure, per the illustrations below. Check the design which best matches your own, then enter the skirt length for your cabinet style below. Measuring for cover shape continues on page 2.

Most newer spas are made as shown here, with the acrylic shell lip overhanging the spa cabinet paneling. These spas are very easy to measure from the outside edge of the shell.

The spa cover skirt covers the lip of the shell as shown. Our standard 4 inch cover skirt length is ideal for most spas, but you can specify any length you require.

If your spa has an edge rail around the outside of the acrylic shell lip, you have a choice as to how your cover can be made.

Measure as shown here if you want the cover and skirt to overhang the wood cabinet rail. This method protects the rail from weather.

Shown here is the other way your cover can be made for spas which have an edge rail around the outside of the acrylic shell lip. Measure as shown here if you want the cover and skirt to leave the rail exposed, and butt up next to it.

If you have your cover made this way, make the skirt length a little shorter than distance from top of spa shell to top of the rail, so that it does not bunch up when the cover is closed. This will allow the cover to seat positively against the shell.

If you have a wood hot tub, be sure to measure the overall outside diameter of the tub (not the inside diameter of the opening).

Skirt length is normally a matter of personal preference with this type of hot tub, since there is no acrylic lip to cover. Most people choose a standard 4” skirt.

If your spa’s acrylic shell rim is set directly onto a deck or concrete surface like this, be sure to measure the overall outside diameter of the tub (not the inside diameter of the opening). Make the skirt length a little shorter than distance from top of spa shell to the surface, so that it does not bunch up when the cover is closed.

IMPORTANT: For rimless in-ground concrete or plaster spas, be sure to add at least 8” to 10” to the opening dimensions (length and width) so that your cover will be supported properly and extend outside of the spa opening at least 4” to 5” on all sides. Covers for rimless in-ground spas may be made without a skirt.
Measuring the Sides
Length and width measurements are in inches, rounded up to the nearest inch, because allowing a little extra is a good practice. (Radius and cut corner measurements are rounded down). A spa cover that is a little larger than the acrylic shell will fit well, but a cover that is too small will be tight or may not fit at all. Dimensions are usually best taken from the spa (rather than the old cover). But if your old cover fits well, compare your measurements to those of your old cover for verification. We make covers up to a maximum of 96” length or width. Sorry, we do not make covers for spas with obstructions or features requiring cutouts, hoods or flaps.

NOTE: For square corners enter zero (0) for the C (radius) measurement.

Measuring the Radius:
The radius is the measurement of a spa’s rounded corners. Place a carpenter’s square on the outside corner of spa. The distance between the square’s inside corner and the point where it touches the spa’s corner is the radius. The example shows a corner with a radius of 6”. Fractions of an inch should be rounded down, to assure a good fit.

NOTE: If you don’t have a carpenter’s square, you can alternately use a tape measure and straight edge using the same technique.

IMPORTANT: FOLD ORIENTATION NOTES
In most instances, the fold should cut the longest spa dimension in half (when length and width are not equal) but it can cut the shorter dimension if you prefer. To avoid confusion, remember this simple rule: The fold always cuts the “A” dimension in half. For the fold orientation of your preference, please make sure to enter your preferred dimension number for “A”. 

Tie-Down Strap Length
As shown, straps are measured starting from the horizontal seam where the skirt is sewn to the cover top, down to the top of the buckle. Standard strap length is 7” but you are free to choose a different length. Straps must be at least 1” longer than skirt length.

Do not measure from bottom of skirt or include the buckle in your measurement.

NOTES: In accordance with ASTM standards, we must ship your cover with safety straps. We definitely don’t encourage it, but they can be removed later at your discretion. Straps are located in appropriate positions for your spa’s shape. Due to common production variations, even within the same spa brand and model, it is not possible to guarantee matching safety strap placement exactly as with your old cover. For this reason, we provide brand new strap clips, locking latches, and fasteners for the easy attachment of your cover’s new straps.

DISCLAIMER: Measuring for a spa cover is easy if you follow these instructions. Your new spa cover will be meticulously hand crafted, and built according to the information that you provide. Customer is responsible for accurate and complete measurement of the replacement cover, shape, style, fold orientation, and suitability of any options or upgrades. Per industry standard deviation, cover will be manufactured within 1.56” of the dimensions provided by the customer (±/-.3/4” overhang on each side of centered spa cover.) Customer to clearly indicate in order Special Instructions section if spa cover requires a higher level of precision. No returns will be accepted as a result of customer errors or omissions. If we make a mistake, we'll take responsibility for it. We review every order and often catch mistakes prior to production, but we can’t absolutely guarantee that we can find every error, so please double-check the information that you provide to be assured of a great fit. Spa covers are protected by the manufacturers warranty, but are not returnable.