

Living Room Rug Sizing Cheat Sheet

Calculate exact dimensions and position every piece confidently.

Stop guessing your carpet dimensions. Use this sizing and placement cheat sheet to anchor your seating arrangement perfectly.

● Key Layout Clearances

18 in

Bare floor border in standard rooms

+ 24 in

Added to standard sofa width

8 in

Front leg overlap for accent chairs

≤ 0.5 in

Low pile for sliding furniture

12 in

Minimum extension past sofa arms

36 in

Walkway clearance behind floating sofas

4 in

Bare floor gap at media console

1/4 in

Felt and rubber gripping pad

Center on Architectural Features

Align the center point of your future rug directly with your fireplace, large picture window, or primary media wall to establish immediate visual symmetry.



● Room-by-Room Sizing Matrix

Find your row: **Room & Sofa Size**

Room & Sofa Size	Your pick	Why
10 x 12 ft room	8 x 10 ft rug	For 72-inch apartment sofas
11 x 13 ft room	9 x 12 ft rug	For 84-inch standard sofas
12 x 18 ft room	10 x 14 ft rug	For 96-inch oversized sofas
15 x 20 ft room	12 x 15 ft rug	For large sectionals

● Pre-Purchase Layout Verification

- Measure the room's total width and length twice.
- Measure the primary sofa from outside arm to outside arm.
- Check all door swing clearances against the planned pile height.
- Mark the four rug corners directly on the floor with painter's tape.
- Verify active HVAC floor registers remain completely uncovered.
- Ensure reclining chair back legs sit completely off the carpet.

● Room Dimensions & Notes

Enjoy your beautifully anchored and perfectly proportioned living space!