Small Living Room Spacing Sheet

Exact clearances and steps to arrange your compact space with confidence.

Stop guessing where furniture should go. Use these exact measurements and visual tricks to make your room feel instantly larger and more welcoming.



Essential Layout Clearances

76 cm
Primary walk lane from entry

60 cm
Secondary route between accent chairs

45 cm
Sofa to coffee table gap

30 cm
Service gap for window treatments

1.5x diagonal
Ideal TV viewing distance

2/3 sofa length
Ideal coffee table span

Light the Furthest Corner

Place a tall floor lamp diagonally opposite the doorway. This strategic glow draws the eye outward, expanding the perceived boundaries of the entire layout at night.

The Doorway Sightline Checklist

1. **Find the sightline** Stand squarely in the main doorway to find the primary sightline into the room.
2. **Identify the anchor** Identify the longest continuous wall or focal point.
3. **Float the sofa** Float the sofa parallel to that focal point, keeping the back toward the door.
4. **Clear the walkway** Measure the primary walkway clearance from the solid wall to the sofa arm.
5. **Check the view** Verify that the sofa back is low enough to see the far window.

Adapt to Your Space

Find your row: **Your Room's Needs**

Your Room's Needs	Your pick	Why
Exceptionally narrow room	Two small nesting tables	Easily moved for entertaining space
Need flexible corner seating	Armless swivel chair	Creates two distinct use zones
Heavy traffic or clutter	Closed media console	Hides items and clears walkways
Need to anchor layout	Flatweave or jute rug	Keeps the floor visually lightweight
Room feels boxed in	Sheer linen curtain panels	Filters sunlight deep inside

Measure Before Moving

- ○ Always measure the primary path with the entry door fully open.
- ○ Calculate your primary walkway clearance from the solid wall, not the rug.
- ○ Ensure the rug extends well beyond the sofa's outside legs.
- ○ Distribute visual weight evenly across diagonal corners to prevent heavy zones.
- ○ Combine your corner lamp with a low-wattage table lamp for soft light.

Room Dimensions & Notes

Enjoy your beautifully balanced, perfectly measured and highly welcoming living room!