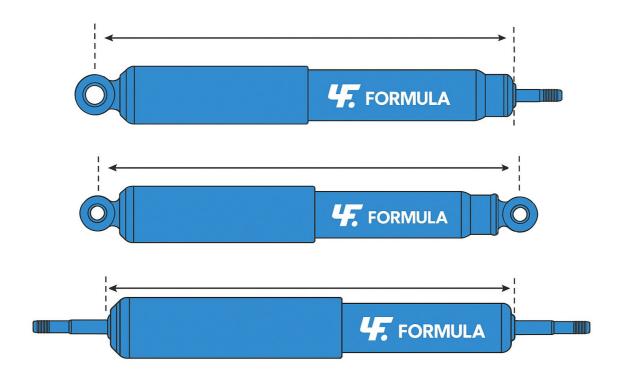
# **How to Measure Shocks**



#### **Step-by-Step Instructions**

## Step 1: Identify Mount Type

Shocks can be mounted in several configurations:

- Eye to Eye
- Eye to Stud
- Stud to Stud

It is critical to identify both ends of the shock absorber to apply the correct measurement method.

## Step 2: Understand Measurement Points

#### **Configuration Measurement Point(s)**

Eye to Eye Centre of eye to centre of eye

Eye to Stud Centre of eye to shoulder of stud

Stud to Stud Shoulder of stud to shoulder of stud

**Note:** Measurements should be taken along the central axis of the shock.

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## Step 3: Prepare the Shock Absorber

- Ensure the shock absorber is **fully extended** (for open length).
- Compress manually or hydraulically (if needed) to take the **closed length**.

#### **Tools Recommended:**

- Vernier caliper or measuring tape
- Flat surface
- Clamp or vice (if stabilisation is required)

#### Step 4: Measure Open Length

- Open Length is the maximum distance between the specified measurement points.
- Record the distance precisely, e.g.:
  - o Eye to Eye: Centre of upper eye to centre of lower eye
  - o Eye to Stud: Centre of eye to shoulder base of stud
  - o Stud to Stud: Shoulder to shoulder

#### Step 5: Measure Closed Length

- **Closed Length** is the minimum distance between the same points as above when the shock is fully compressed.
- Again, measure from:
  - o Centre to Centre (Eye to Eye)
  - o Centre to Shoulder (Eye to Stud)
  - o Shoulder to Shoulder (Stud to Stud)

#### **Visual Reference**

Attach the following image to visually illustrate the three common mount types and where measurements are taken:

Top: Eye-to-StudMiddle: Eye-to-EyeBottom: Stud-to-Stud

(Use the approved Formula-branded image titled "Open and Closed Lengths Measurement")

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#### **Final Notes**

- Always double-check for wear, deformities, or damaged bushes before measuring.
- For accurate replacement or catalogue matching, ensure measurements align with OEM specifications.
- Use the Formula part number cross-reference table if needed.