

Specifying the Inset Depth of a Window

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QUESTION

A home that employs very thick walls, such as a straw bale, rammed earth, or log home structure may have very deep windows. How can I change the placement of the window within the wall?

ANSWER

Using the Window Specification dialog, it is possible to recess the window so it is close to the inside surface of the wall or have it placed closer to the outside of the wall. You can change the exact location of a window by adjusting the Inset values for that window.

To specify the inset for a window's frame and sash

1. Using the **Select Objects**  tool, select a window, then click on the **Open Object**  edit button.
2. On the FRAME panel of the **Window Specification** dialog:

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☒ Has Frame

Positioning: ☒ Window Size Includes Frame
☐ Window Size Excludes Frame

Sides Width: 3/4"

Top Width: 3/4"

Bottom Width: 3/4"

☐ Fit Frame to Wall

Depth: 6"

Inset: 6"

Options

Corner Join: ☒ Post
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- Uncheck the **Fit Frame to Wall** box.
- Specify a custom value in the **Inset** field. The sash will automatically move with the frame when a value is specified.

In this example, the value has been changed to 6".

3. If you would like to adjust the sash separately from the frame, select the **SASH** panel, then change the **Inset** value to your liking.

In this example, the value is unchanged.

Note: The Sash panel is not available in the Wall Niche Specification dialog, and the settings on this panel are not applicable to Pass-Throughs.

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☒ Has Sash

Side Width: 1 1/2"

Middle Width: 1 1/2"

Top Width: 1 1/2"

Bottom Width: 2 1/2"


Depth: 1 1/2"


Inset: 1 1/2"

Curved Options: ☒ Straight ☐ Curved

4. When you are satisfied with the Inset values, click **OK**.

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