

## **First Rule of Measuring: “You cannot over measure!” The more detailed the better, so measure and label your kitchen plan to your hearts desire.**

The next step is to accurately measure the space to be renovated. The following tips will give your interPRO Cabinet Design Consultant the information they need to create your custom kitchen. You’ll find a measuring grid at the end of this guide.

### **Horizontal Measurement**

1. Roughly draw out the general shape of the room. Include important openings and obstacles such as windows, doors, and pass-thrus. Make sure to include the hinging of all doorways and where they lead.
2. When measuring, hold the tape around waist height (~36” from the floor). This will provide you with ease and control in manipulating the measuring tape, making your measurements the most accurate.
3. Start by measuring the full length of your walls, from corner to corner where possible. Complete full measurement for all walls of the room.
4. Go back to the first corner, measure from the corner, to edge of window, door or opening trim.
5. Measure across the opening or obstacle, from outer trim to outer trim.
6. Measure from the edge of the trim to far wall (repeating steps 4-5 for any other obstacles).
7. Compare sum of steps (4), (5), (6) to the measurement in step (3).
8. Continue steps (4) to (7) until you have measured all the walls that make up the room.
9. Mark the location of important fixtures and obstacles on the plan. These include water and drainage, gas lines, electrical outlets, light switches, heat registers, and any other object that might impact with cabinet placement/kitchen design.

### **Vertical Measurement**

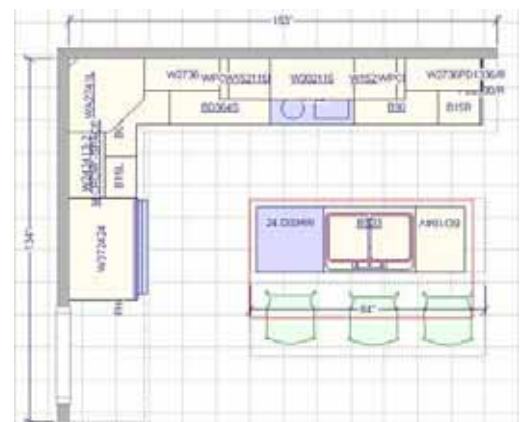
10. Measure from floor to ceiling in two different locations, noting measurements on your plan.
11. Measure the distance between the floor and any windows.

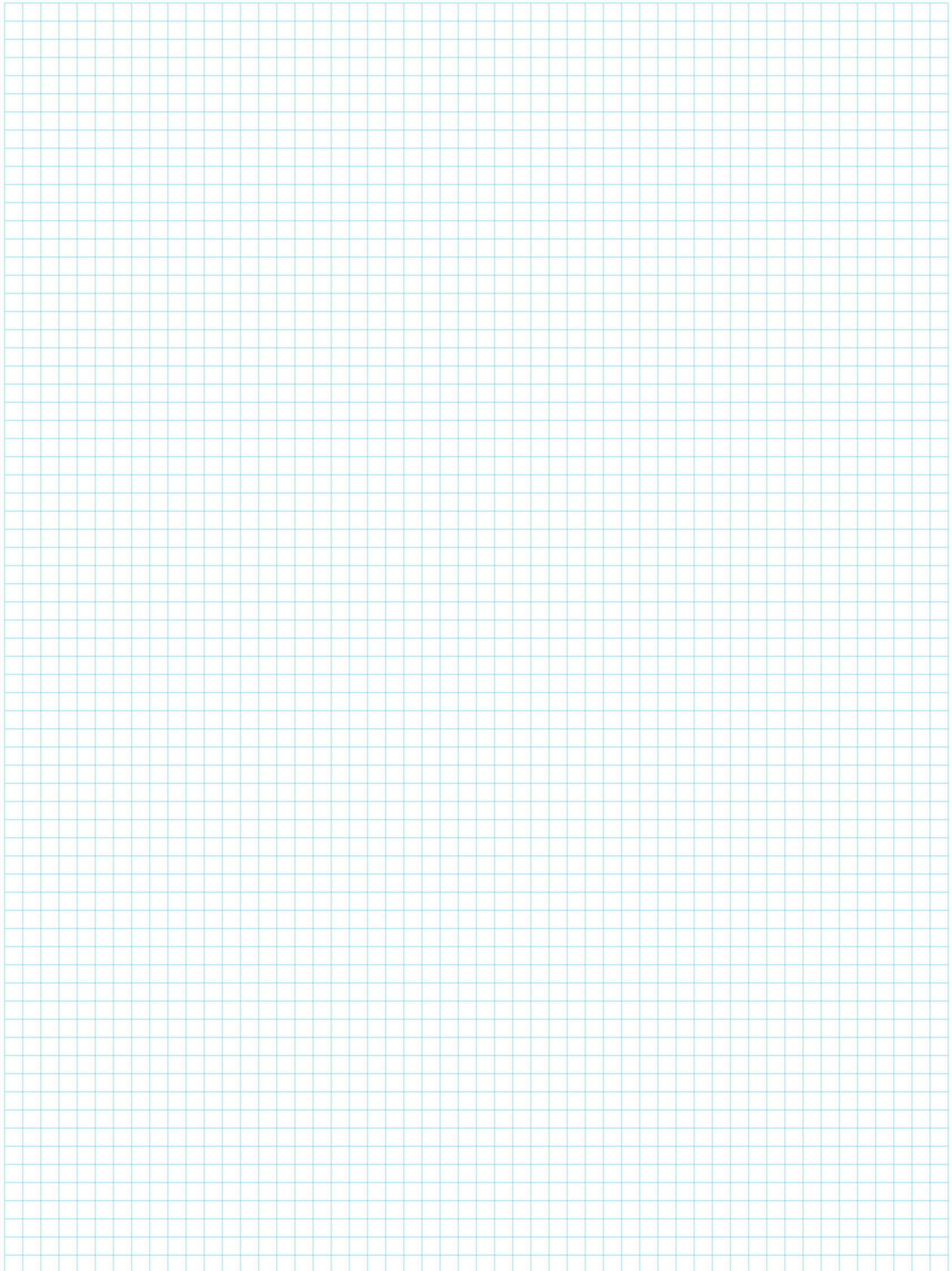
### **Bulkheads (boxlike structure between ceiling and wall cabinets)**

12. Measure the height from floor to bottom of bulkhead.
13. Measure depth of bulkhead (front to back).
14. If considering removing the bulkhead, you must determine if the structure hides any mechanicals such as electrical, plumbing, or venting.

After you have completed measurements for your space, begin taking measurements of the appliances that you plan to use in your new kitchen. An appliance specifications page can be found at the back of this guide with the measuring grid.

Once all room and appliance measurements have been taken and double checked, start roughly sketching the places that you would like to see important kitchen fixtures. These include fridge, stove, sink, and cabinet placement. Don’t worry about exact sizes or having your drawing to scale, as your Cabinet Design Consultant will help figure out what sizing works best to give you the most functional kitchen possible. As always, the more detailed the better!





Ceiling Height: \_\_\_\_\_