BEG YOUR PARDON'S GUIDE FOR FITTING A SUIT FOR YOUR BODY SHAPE

This guide represents the four main body shapes and serves as a guide to achieving a great fit from an off-the-rack suit.



SLIM JIM - The skinniest of all the body shapes.

Characteristics: Small chest Slender up and down frame Hips and shoulders are a similar width

Common problems: Baggy poor-fitting suit

Our solutions:

Select the best sized jacket and trouser combination from our extensive suit separates collection Jacket chest sizes start at 88cm and trouser waist at 76cm

Our 'Narrow' fit jackets and trousers are for you

Alterations:

We can narrow the waist of your jacket further to provide more shape The waist, thigh and calf of your trousers can be narrowed for a better fit

Tips and tricks:

Layering can give the impression of more volume; add knitwear or a waistcoat between your shirt and jacket A double breasted jacket can add shape to your silhouette

Pleated trousers create fullness

Avoid overly skinny trousers to disguise chicken legs



KEG GREG - The chubbiest of all the body shapes.

Characteristics:

Pronounced waist in comparison to rest of body Overall rounder body shape

Common problems:

Limited shops and garment options available to you Want the appearance of a slimmer waist Suit fits one part of the body but not others

Our solutions:

Select the best sized jacket and trouser combination from our extensive suit separates collection Jacket chest sizes go up to size 156cm and trouser waist to 144cm Our 'Regular' and 'Classic' fit jackets and trousers are for you

Alterations:

Once the jacket is fitting correctly in the abdomen, we can narrow the shoulder to fit

Tips and tricks:

A great fitting suit can make you appear slimmer Draw the eye to bright accessories such as pocket squares and lapel pins



MEAN DEAN - Of average proportions.

Characteristics: Shoulders slightly broader than hips

Common problems: Most of the time you've got it easy. See 'The Long and the Short of it' if you're taller or shorter than the Average Joe

Our solutions: Select from our full collection of suits and suit separates. Our 'Narrow' and 'Slim' fit jackets and trousers are for you

Alterations: Although your body type might be the easiest to fit, some small alterations may be required

Tips and tricks:

Take advantage of the extensive range of fabrics and colours readily available to you Don't be tempted to dress like everybody else just because you can. Find your unique style and wear it proudly



TANK HANK - Body-builder type physique.

Characteristics: Broad shoulders and chest Slim waist Large biceps Large quads, calves and buttocks

Common problems: Shoulder fits but the waist is left baggy and untidy Tight around thighs, calves and buttocks

Our solutions:

Select the best sized jacket and trouser combination from our extensive suit separates collection, concentrating on fitting your shoulders and chest correctly Our 'Regular' fit jackets are for you For your trouser, focus on fitting the thigh and buttocks first

Alterations:

We can take in the jacket waist to fit correctly We can alter the waist and leg of the trouser as required

Tips and tricks:

Your body type is often the most challenging to fit correctly, we're here to help

Wearing shoes with more bulk can prevent you looking too top heavy

THE LONG AND SHORT OF IT

Your height also comes into play when trying to find the perfect fitting suit. Here are a few additional tips.



SHORT MORT

Our solutions:

- Ready-to-wear suits available in short fittings for men from 160cm (5'3ft)

- We can hem your trousers to your required length and slim the leg

- Our short fitting jackets are 3cm shorter in both body and sleeve

Tips and tricks:

- Even if you're only a little shorter than the Average Joe, a short fitting suit may well be the perfect solution for you

- Wear socks the same colour as your trousers to visually lengthen the leg

- Try wearing a hat, it will add height and draw people's attention up higher

- Vertical stripes really work; they trick the eye into seeing a longer torso

LONG JOHN

Our solutions:

- Ready-to-wear suits and shirts available in tall fittings for men up to 205cm (6'8 ft)

- Our tall fitting jackets are 3cm longer in both body and sleeve

- Our tall fitting shirts are 5cm longer in both body and sleeve

- Our extra-long trouser can easily be hemmed to the required length

Tips and tricks:

- Wear shoes with slim soles to play down your height