

# 3 Simple Steps...

to selecting the correct **Kreg** Pocket Hole Screw.

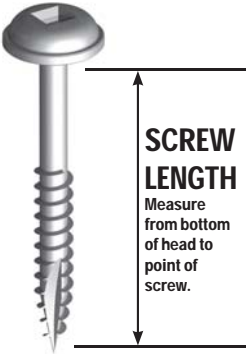
## 1. Select the Right Screw Length

The most important part of choosing the right screw for your application is selecting the correct screw length. As a general rule, we suggest using the following screw lengths when joining like material thicknesses, such as  $\frac{3}{4}$ " to  $\frac{3}{4}$ " material.

### \* Weather Resistant Screws

Select screws are available in a weather resistant coating which has properties similar to a zinc plated screw. The coating offers protection from the elements allowing them to be used in outdoor applications.

Material Thickness	1/2"	5/8"	3/4"	7/8"	1"	1-1/8"	1-1/4"	1-3/8"	1-1/2"
Screw Length	1"	1"	1-1/4"	1-1/2"	1-1/2"	1-1/2"	2"	2"	2-1/2"



**SCREW LENGTH**  
Measure from bottom of head to point of screw.

## 2. Select The Correct Thread Type

Fine thread screws are the preferred choice in hardwoods as they eliminate any chance of splitting the wood. Coarse thread screws offer advantages in softer materials such as plywood and particle board as their larger thread diameter provides greater holding power. The chart at right categorizes some of the most common wood types into harder or softer woods.

### COARSE THREAD Softer woods

Pine	Butternut	MDF
Cedar	Poplar	Particle Board
Fir	Aspen	
Spruce	Plywood	
Basswood	Melamine	



### FINE THREAD Harder woods

Ash	Hickory
Oak	Cherry
Maple	Mahogany
Walnut	Birch



## 3. Choose A Head Style

Our most common screw head type is the Maxi-Loc™ (SML) which is a washer head screw. The large bearing surface of the washer head is designed to seat securely in the bottom of the pocket, providing a tremendous amount of consistent clamping force on the joint line. Our second head style is referred to as a pan head (SPS). The pan head is a slightly smaller head size that allows it to easily get below flush when joining  $\frac{1}{2}$ " material. This is particularly helpful when joining  $\frac{1}{2}$ " to  $\frac{1}{2}$ " plywood for drawer boxes.

### Maxi-Loc™ Head (SML)



### Pan Head (SPS)

