

# Understanding Keypad Orientation

Choosing the right keypad direction is important as not only can it be unsafe to install on the wrong side of your entryway or cabinet, it can lead to the frustration of realizing you bought the wrong lock. When choosing the Keypad for your doorway, cabinet, locker, etc it's important to consider what orientation your entryway is. Is it Left Handed? Right Handed? It may sound silly but believe it or not, there is a correct orientation for doors and entryways.



Figure 1



Figure 2

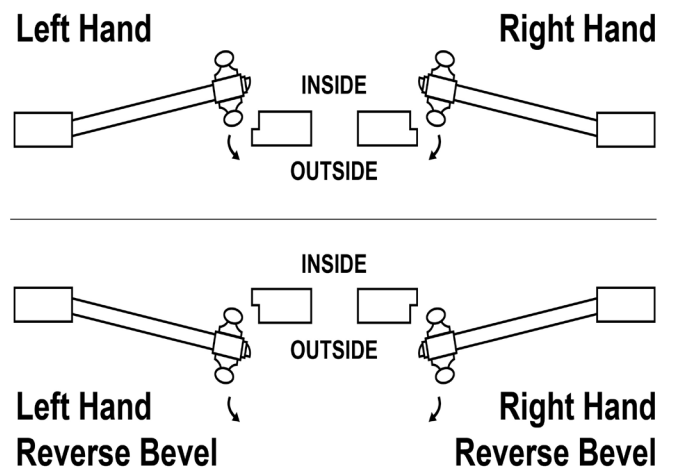


Figure 3

## Left Handed vs Right Handed

It's easiest to visualize when you're looking at a door. Take a look at what side the hinges are on. If they are on the **Left** Side, then you have a **Left** Handed entryway (Figure 1). This is because the keypad and handle will go on the other side of the door which you would naturally open with your **Left** Hand.

The opposite is also true, if the hinges are on the **Right** Side, you have a **Right** Handed doorway (Figure 2).



## Vertical Keypads

Some keypads also come in a **Vertical** (Up & Down) orientation (Figure 3). These locks can be installed on either side of an opening and generally function as convenient ambidextrous (Left or Right Handed) options.

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