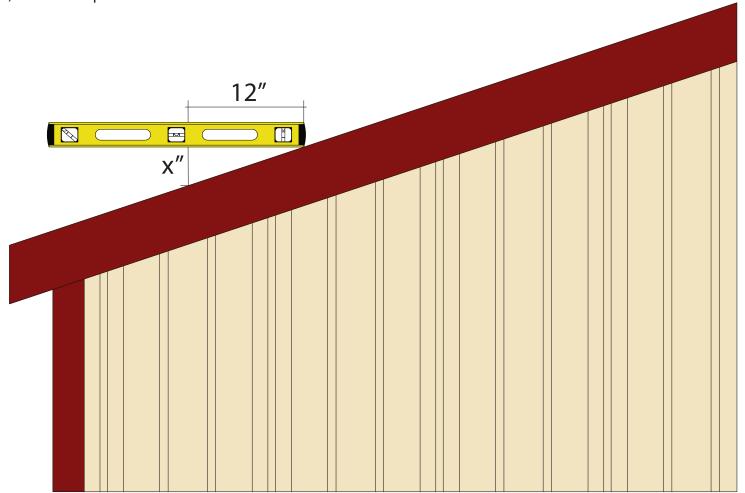


How to Measure Roof Pitch

ROOF PITCH or SLOPE is the number of inches the roof rises for every foot of horizontal run. It is expressed in a ratio of rise in inches: 12" run. For example a roof pitch of 4:12 rises 4" for every 12" of run.

How to measure your roof's pitch:

- 1) Hold a carpenter's level on level horizontal plane as shown below
- 2) Measure 12" out from the point the level touches the roof
- 3) At the 12" mark measure from the bottom of the level to the roof surface in inches to find X" as shown
- 4) Your roof's pitch is X:12



Common Roof Pitch Examples

for reference only - not to be used as a visual gauge to find pitch 4:12

6:12

2:12