

A D.I.Y. Classical Feng Shui Report

The Easy Way to Draw Your Floorplan



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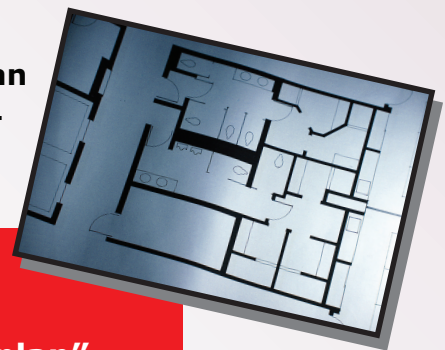
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A Doctor of Oriental Medicine knows the energy meridian map of the human body and would never expect to get good results by guessing approximately where to place the acupuncture needles. **Likewise as a "house doctor" you need an accurate map (your floorplan) in order to find the hidden trigger points in your home or office and activate them to get the effect you want.**

How to Get Your Floorplan:

You may already have a copy of your floorplan from the builder or previous occupant of your home, but if not, you have several options for getting one.

- **Call your local department of Building and Safety** or other local agency to see if they have a copy of your blueprint on file. You can reduce the size at your neighborhood copy shop for more manageable handling.
- **Hire a draftsman or find a student draftsman** at a school in your area to draw one up for you.
- You can **draw your own floorplan.**



*** If you already have a floorplan go directly to the bottom of page 2 "Finding the Magnetic Energy Center of Your Floorplan".**

Tools for Drawing Your Own Floorplan:

All you'll need to draw your floorplan is:

- **Graph paper**– 1/4 inch is great. Your scale will be 1/4 inch = 1 foot. If your home is quite large you may want to use the 1/8 inch = 1 foot scale to get your drawing comfortably on one page of paper.
- **A pencil with a good eraser**
- **A measuring tool** such as a metal measuring tape *or* a sonic laser device.
 - I use the Strait-Line Sonic Laser because it makes measuring so quick and easy. You can find one at www.homedepot.com.



D.I.Y. Floorplan Measuring and Drawing Tips:

- If working with a single specific room such as your bedroom or office, measure the walls and mark the location of the room entrance and windows.
- If drawing your whole house start from a room in one of the back corners of the house and move to the next room connecting them as you go till the whole house is done.
- With graph paper and pencil in hand, **take the overall room measurements first using either your metal tape measure or the Strait-Line Sonic Laser device.**
- Don't worry about doors and windows at this point, just get the measurements of the 4 walls. **Go back later to add in the position of the doors and windows.**

Once you have your measurements choose one of these options:

- A. You can draw them out on your graph paper rounding off the small fractions.** For example you could round off a room that is 10 feet and 1 1/2 inches, to 10 feet.
- B. You can use a 3 sided architectural ruler** using either inches or centimeters to make your drawing, because **this type of ruler has a special marker on it that shows you exactly where to stop and start your line for any number of inches.**
- C. There are many computer programs out now that draw floorplans.** You just type in your measurements and the program draws in all the lines for you. Check out www.smartdraw.com or www.microsoft.com/visio.

Finding the Magnetic Energy Center of your Floorplan:

Every building or room has a magnetic energy center. Now with floorplan in hand you are ready to find the Energy Center of *your* whole house, bedroom or office.

From the Feng Shui viewpoint **the best houses are designed in either a balanced square or rectangular shape.**

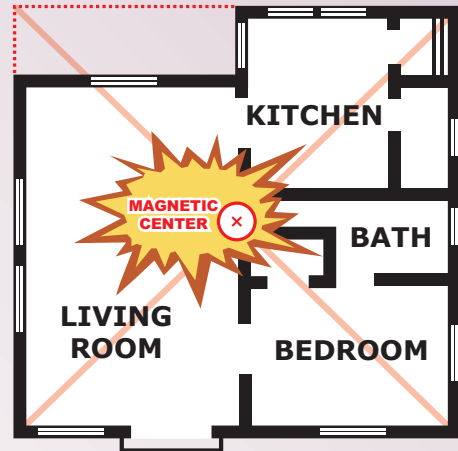
But **today many houses are designed in an asymmetrical shape** and contain angular shaped rooms. These can present a challenge to finding a building's true energy center.

***If you have any questions or would like some personal assistance,
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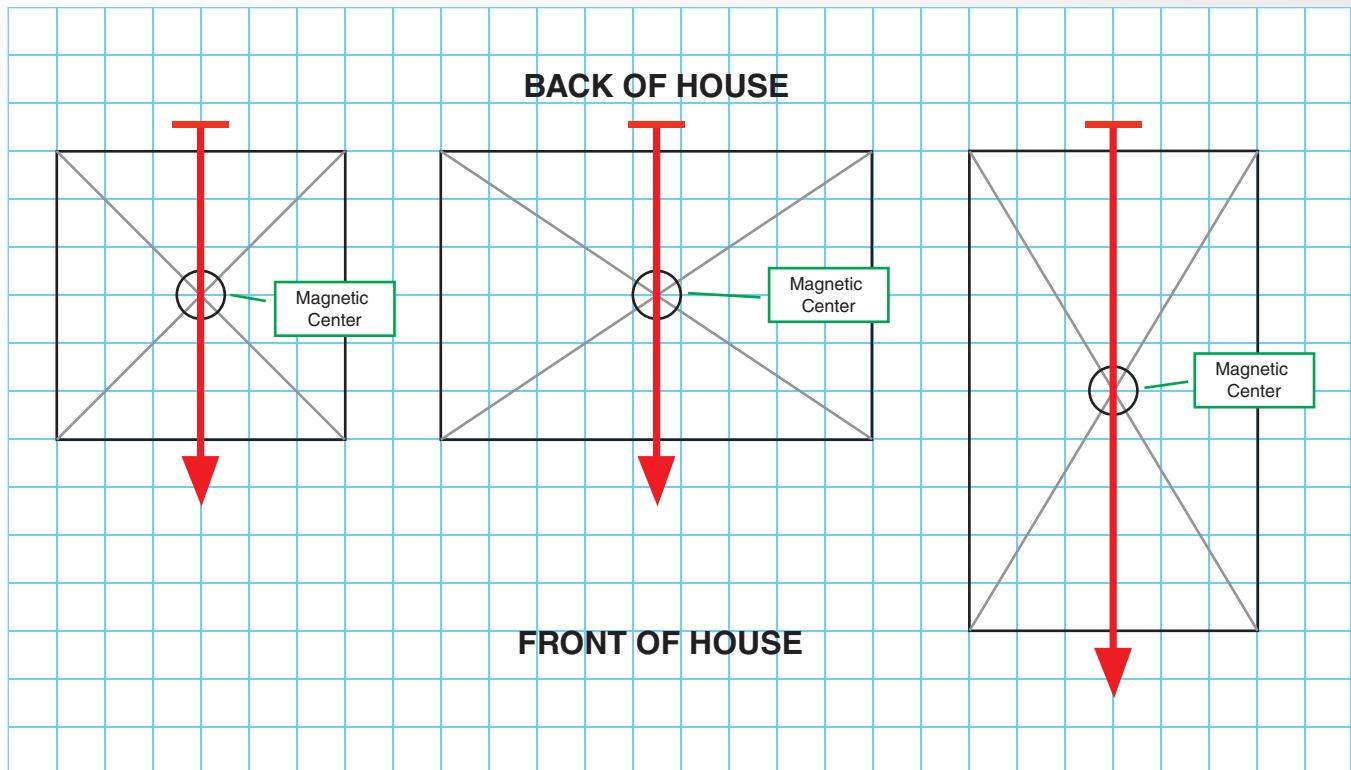
General Directions for Locating the Magnetic Energy Center:

- In pencil draw diagonal lines to the 4 corners of the floorplan drawing. **The point where they cross is the Magnetic Energy Center.**
- Then **draw a vertical pencil line through this point** from the back to the front of the house, to mark the important Center Line.
- Erase the *diagonal* pencil lines but keep the vertical Center Line.
- *Only include the attached garage if there are rooms above it or if it is being used as a workspace.*



How To Find Your *Symmetrical* House's Magnetic Energy Center:

Examples of Finding the Center in Symmetrical Shaped Buildings or Rooms:



How To Find Your *Asymmetrical* House's Magnetic Energy Center: "The Rule of 1/2"

This rule removes the guesswork for buildings or rooms that are not perfect squares or rectangles. It says that:

- A. if any room protrudes from the basic square or rectangular shape of the building and it juts out a distance that is equal to or *more than* 1/2 of the total width or length of the building, it should be included in the measurement for finding the Magnetic Energy Center.
- B. If the protruding room or part is *less than* 1/2 the width or length of the building it is not included. (**See examples below.**)

Examples of Finding the Center in Asymmetrical Shaped Buildings or Rooms:

