

# DIY Pocket Door Guide

## Tools & Materials Required

- Johnson sliding pocket door kit (keeping only the aluminum track and carriages)
- Dry 2x4s or 2x6s lumber
- Screws
- Rubber bumpers
- Finger pulls (for door edge and face)
- Aluminum C-channel
- Guide pin
- Level
- Router (for hardware installation)
- Basic hand tools

## Step-by-Step DIY Guide

1. Start with the frame
  - Place 2x4s on their edge for the frame
  - Toe-screw the boards in place
  - Install a level board at the top for the track
2. Set up the track
  - Attach the Johnson aluminum track to the top board
  - Make sure it's perfectly level
  - Install the three-wheel carriages
3. Create the doorstep
  - Build a small block with rubber bumpers
  - Position it so the door closes flush with the trim
4. Prepare the door
  - Install recessed finger pulls
  - Route C-channel into the bottom of the door
  - Add guide pin to keep door centered

The **total cost comes to about \$150**, much less than **professional kits that can run \$1,000-1,500**.