

THE HAND OF THE DOOR is always determined from the outside. The outside is the street side of an entrance door, and the corridor side of a room door. The outside of a communicating door, from room to room, is the side from which the hinges are not visible when the door is closed. The outside of a pair of twin doors is the space between them. The outside of a closet door is the room side, thus reversing the rule which applies in other cases. The foregoing definitions apply to sliding doors as well as to hinged doors.

If, standing outside of a door, the hinges are on the right, it is a right-hand door; if on the left, it is a left-hand door; except as to casement sashes, where the point of view is assumed to be from the inside instead of the outside.