

Scale It Up

Track lengths and areas through dilations.

GRADE 8 • TEKS 8.10.D

8.10.D “model the effect on linear and area measurements of dilated two-dimensional shapes.”

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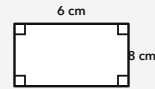
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LENGTH AND AREA RULES

In a dilation with scale factor k , multiply every length by k . Multiply every area by k^2 , because both dimensions are scaled.

WORKED EXAMPLE

The rectangle in the figure is dilated by a scale factor of $5/2$. Find the area of the image.



1. Original area = $6 \times 8 = 48 \text{ cm}^2$.
2. Area factor = $(5/2)^2 = 25/4$.
3. Image area = $48 \times 25/4 = 300 \text{ cm}^2$.

Answer: 300 cm^2

PRACTICE 4 problems

- 1** A segment is 9 cm long. It is dilated by a scale factor of 3. Find the image length.

ANSWER _____

- 2** A figure has area 20 square units. It is dilated by a scale factor of $1/4$. Find the image area.

ANSWER _____

- 3** A shape has area 11 cm^2 . It is enlarged by a scale factor of 7. Find the new area.

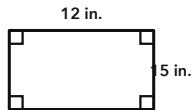
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- 4** An image segment is 15 units long after a dilation with scale factor $1/3$. Find the original length.

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APPLY IT Show your work

- 1** A gaming club enlarges the rectangular logo in the figure by a scale factor of $\frac{3}{2}$. What is the new area?



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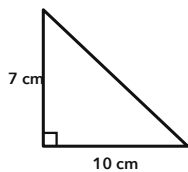
- 2** A phone wallpaper has an area of 300 cm^2 . A mini version uses a scale factor of $\frac{1}{5}$. What is the area of the mini wallpaper?

WORK SPACE

ANSWER _____

CHALLENGE One step up

The right triangle in the figure has an image area of 560 cm^2 . Find the scale factor, then explain what happens to the 7 cm leg.



WORK SPACE AND ANSWER

PART 1 • PRACTICE

#	PROBLEM	ANSWER
1	A segment is 9 cm long. It is dilated by a scale factor of 3. Find the image length.	27 cm
2	A figure has area 20 square units. It is dilated by a scale factor of $1/4$. Find the image area.	$5/4$ square units
3	A shape has area 11 cm^2 . It is enlarged by a scale factor of 7. Find the new area.	539 cm^2
4	An image segment is 15 units long after a dilation with scale factor $1/3$. Find the original length.	45 units

PART 2 • APPLY IT

1. **405 in^2** The original area is $12 \times 15 = 180 \text{ in}^2$. Multiply by $(3/2)^2 = 9/4$ to get 405 in^2 .
2. **12 cm^2** The area factor is $(1/5)^2 = 1/25$. Multiply 300 by $1/25$.

CHALLENGE

Scale factor 4. The 7 cm leg becomes 28 cm because each length is multiplied by 4.

Accept equivalent numerical forms, such as 1.25 square units for $5/4$ square units. Require squared units for all area answers.