

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE INSTALLING

FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS WILL VOID THE WARRANTY

- This window was inspected for defects and smooth operation before leaving the factory. If it does not perform properly after installation, please check to be sure it is installed squarely to the sill and that the sill is perfectly straight.
- Vinyl windows will conform to the shape of the opening and shimming used in the installation. Improper installation is the most common cause of window malfunction.
- It is the responsibility of the owner, architect, or builder to select products in compliance with applicable laws and building codes.

GENERAL REPLACEMENT WINDOW INSTRUCTIONS

1. Check for signs of decay or damage that the window alone will not solve and repair or replace that area.
2. Remove the window sash by carefully removing either the inside or outside window stops. If the stops will be reused, set aside where they will not get damaged.
3. Remove any existing track or balances, leaving a clean opening for the new window. If your old windows had weight pockets, be sure to open the access panels and insulate to avoid a cold area next to your new window.
4. Apply a high grade silicone caulk to the remaining stops where the new window will make contact with the stop. That will seal the window to the opening.
5. Set the window into the opening with the sash locked to keep the window square. Be sure the window is sitting solidly on the shim or directly onto the sill. If installing on top of shims, be sure there are sufficient shims across the entire sill to support the window. The window will, over time, conform to the sill you set it on. Check to be sure your sill is completely straight by using a string pulled tight to create a straight line. Any crown or sag in the sill will compromise the performance of the new window.
6. Remove the vinyl stops or tracks on the side jambs of vinyl window frame and screw through the jamb and top of the frame to secure the window being careful not to bow the frame. **NO SCREWS EVER GO THROUGH THE SILL OF A VINYL WINDOW. HOLES IN THE SILL ARE WEEP HOLES TO ALLOW WATER TO GET OUT.** Use the sash to check the straightness of the jamb by looking at the reveal between the sash and the frame. Be sure the reveal is equal to top to bottom at the jamb and across the top and bottom at the jamb and across the top and bottom. If the reveal is not equal, the window will not seal properly when closed and potentially will lock hard or not at all.
7. Insulate around and under the window. A non-expanding foam is recommended but fiberglass is an acceptable insulator. Gaps between the window and the existing frame must be insulated to stop convection from happening within this cavity.
8. Cut the sill expander (shipped taped to the top of the window) to fill the void between the bottom of the window and the sloped sill. The sill expander should be cut 1/16" shorter than the opening so it does not touch the existing sill and does not put pressure on the bottom of the window. The sill expander will snap into the accessory track at the bottom of the window. Fill the gap between the expander and the sill with a quality caulk or sealant.
9. Do not put any type of trim over the weep hole covers on the bottom of the window frame. Blocking weep holes will cause the water to back up causing water to overflow to the inside of the house and potentially get inside your walls and will void the warranty.
10. Before reinstalling your stops, be sure to caulk them to the window and the jamb to seal them tight to the opening.

NEW CONSTRUCTION INSTALLATION INSTRUCTION

1. Before installation, be sure the window is closed and locked.
2. Apply silicone based caulk to the back side of the nail fin to assure a watertight installation
3. Before securing the window to the rough opening, be sure the window sill is shimmed properly to assure proper sash operation. Check the reveal between the sash and frame to be sure the frame is square and straight to the sash.
4. Attach the window to the opening using large headed nails (roofing nails) every 6-8" in the pre-punched holes in the nail fin. Nail the sill first. Use a string as a straight line for the sill, be sure it is perfectly straight or the sash will not mesh properly with the frame. Less than 1/8" of crown or belly in the sill will cause the window to not seal. Once the sill is true and nailed, nail the side jambs using the sash reveal as your straight edge. Using the sash will also help square the frame to the sill. Nail the top using the sash as a guide to be sure with window is snug to the frame.
5. Insulate around the perimeter of the window using fiberglass or a non-expanding foam product that is made for windows and doors.
6. **DO NOT, UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES, COVER THE WEEP HOLES.**

CARE AND MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS

Congratulations! You have selected premium windows of the highest quality. This window is manufactured of durable vinyl. It will never pit, peel, rot or corrode. To keep your windows looking like new, just wipe off dirt with a damp cloth. If needed, a non-abrasive liquid soap or detergent with warm water can be used to remove stubborn stains.



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