**Window and Door Removal Reference**

This document lists the basic considerations required to remove an existing window or patio door.

Please read and follow the appropriate window rough opening preparation and installation guide for your specific application including all warnings and cautions found on the product manufacturer's website.

Check with your local building code official to identify and confirm compliance with local building code requirements.

These Instructions may not be right for all installations due to building design, construction materials or methods used and/or building or site conditions. Consult a design professional or architect for recommendations.

Contact local authorities or waste management companies for proper recycling and/or disposal of removed window or patio door.

For information on Rough Opening Preparation, Installation, Safety, Finishing, Care and Maintenance, Service and Warranties visit the product manufacturer's website.

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### Basic Tools Needed

- Safety Glasses
- Utility Knife
- Tin Snips
- Work Gloves
- Oscillating Tool
- Pry Bar
- Ear Protection
- Hammer
- Reciprocating Saw
- Drill/Driver

Tools needed for unit removal may vary due to existing construction, unit type, fasteners, and interior or exterior removal method. Additional tools may be required.

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### WARNING

Windows and doors can be heavy. Use safe lifting techniques and a reasonable number of people to move and install window and door products to avoid injury or product damage.

### WARNING

Follow manufacturers’ instructions for hand or power tools. Always wear safety glasses. Failure to do so may result in injury and/or product damage.

### NOTICE

Buildings constructed prior to 1978 may contain lead paint which could be disturbed during window replacement. For more information on proper management of lead paint, visit www.epa.gov/lead.

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### Full-Frame Window - Cut Flange Removal

Removal of the existing complete window and frame to the exterior preserves the exterior trim, and keeps the majority of the construction work and debris outside.

Full-frame window replacement from the exterior requires cutting through the existing installation flange and any through-the-jamb fasteners, installation clips and/or foam insulation. The interior trim and extension jambs (if present) must also be removed.

The existing rough opening must be structurally sound. If not, repair as necessary.
Full-Frame Window - Flanged Removal

Removal of the existing complete window and frame to the exterior keeps the majority of the construction work and debris outside.

Full-frame flanged window replacement from the exterior requires removing the exterior trim or j-channel, installation flange fasteners, removing or cutting any through-the-jamb fasteners, installation clips and/or foam insulation. The interior trim and extension jambs (if present) must also be removed. There may also be a sealant bond behind the flange that must be released.

The existing rough opening must be structurally sound. If not, repair as necessary.

Full-Frame Window - Brick Mould Removal

Removal of the existing complete window and frame to the exterior keeps the majority of the construction work and debris outside.

Full-frame brick mould window replacement requires removing the brick mould fasteners; removing or cutting any through-the-jamb fasteners, installation clips and/or foam insulation. The interior trim and extension jambs (if present) must also be removed. There may also be a sealant bond behind the brick mould that must be released.

The existing rough opening must be structurally sound. If not, repair as necessary.
Insert Window - Exterior Removal

Removal of the existing window components to the exterior preserves the interior trim, accessories, and keeps the majority of the construction work and debris outside.

Exterior insert window installation requires removal of the existing blind stops, sash, parting stops, pulleys, weights, springs, and jamb liners, leaving the existing window frame and existing water management system intact.

The existing window frame must be structurally sound. If not, repair as necessary.

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Insert Window - Interior Removal

Removal of the existing window components to the interior preserves the exterior trim, accessories, and landscaping, keeping the majority of the construction work inside.

Interior insert window installation requires removal of the existing blind stops, sash, parting stops, pulleys, weights, springs, and jamb liners, leaving the existing window frame and existing water management system intact.

The existing window frame must be structurally sound. If not, repair as necessary.
Full-Frame-Patio Door - Flanged Removal

Removal of the existing complete patio door and frame to the exterior keeps the majority of the construction work and debris outside.

Full-frame patio door replacement from the exterior requires removing the exterior trim or j-channel, installation flange fasteners, and any sill fasteners, removing or cutting any through-the-jamb fasteners, installation clips and/or foam insulation. The interior trim and extension jambs (if present) must also be removed. There may also be a sealant bond behind the flange and sill that must be released.

The existing rough opening must be structurally sound. If not, repair as necessary.

Full-Frame-Patio Door - Brick Mould Removal

Removal of the existing complete patio door and frame to the exterior keeps the majority of the construction work and debris outside.

Full-frame patio door replacement from the exterior requires removing the brick mould fasteners, removing or cutting any through-the-jamb fasteners, installation clips and/or foam insulation. The interior trim and extension jambs (if present) must also be removed. There may also be a sealant bond behind the brick mould and sill that must be released.

The existing rough opening must be structurally sound. If not, repair as necessary.