

Remodeler's Notebook

Be Open To Replacement Window Ideas

(NAPSA)—If you have an open mind when it comes to home improvement, here's some news to get you excited about your next remodeling project. You now have a full range of window replacement options at your disposal. "With continued advances in technology and product design, the entire replacement process has moved well beyond what it once was," explains Lou Manfredini, a home improvement expert for NBC-TV's "Today Show" and host of a call-in radio show on WGN-AM in Chicago.

Manfredini offers the following information to help homeowners choose the right replacement window option for their remodeling project:

OPTION ONE: INSERT

Need: Fast, efficient and economical, insert replacements can be used when your existing window frames are in good condition but the sash needs replacement.

Solution: The Clad Ultimate Insert Double Hung replacement window from Marvin Windows and Doors, for example, improves the comfort, convenience and craftsmanship of your original double-hung windows. The window installs neatly into your existing window frame, saving you labor and material costs associated with removing and replacing interior trim or siding and/or repairing wallpaper or plaster.

OPTION TWO: FULL-FRAME

Need: The full-frame method is appropriate when your entire window has deteriorated and needs replacement or if you are seeking an entirely new appearance for your home. With full-frame replacement, the entire window is replaced.



LET THE SUNSHINE IN—It's now easier to find the right replacement window for your remodeling project.

Solution: Full-frame windows are available in an extensive variety of styles, sizes and shapes. There are several good players in the business, each of which manufactures windows with different styles and materials designed to meet your needs. But besides looking at the product, pay careful attention to the people representing it.

OPTION THREE: SASH

Need: Consider a new sash when your existing window frame is in good condition but the sash is not operating well or lacks thermal performance. Replacing the sash is a good way to revise the look of old windows without the same installation time and cost as a typical whole-window replacement.

Solution: Sash replacement kits are an inexpensive solution for improving your existing window's operation, performance, aesthetics and thermal efficiency while providing a tilting sash to make the chore of cleaning windows easier.

To receive a free DVD on replacement window options, call 800-344-6603 or visit www.marvin.com.