

HINTS FOR HOMEOWNERS

What Every Homeowner Should Know About Window Replacement



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by Lou Manfredini (NAPSA)—Replacing the windows in your home is a great way to increase both their energy efficiency and overall ease of use. But how should you choose the best replacement windows?

Use these tips to determine the best replacement window for you.

Green

One of the most important benefits of replacing your windows is that your home's energy efficiency will increase up to 70 percent. If you have old single-paned windows, today's modern double-paned windows will eliminate the need for storm windows. Also, look for windows that meet ENERGY STAR® guidelines.

Material Strengths

Replacement windows should be low maintenance, durable and continue to look good over time.

Consider getting wood-clad windows, since wood is a durable material and a renewable resource. Extruded aluminum cladding on the exterior means even less maintenance since cladding does not need to be scraped or painted.

Appearance and Design

Whether you are replacing your windows to have a whole new look or want to replicate the look of historic wood windows, it is important to choose from a range of options.

One innovative replacement window that recently came out is the Ultimate Replacement Casement from Marvin Windows and Doors. Through the use of a commercial-grade hardware system, the Ultimate Replacement Case-



This new casement window has a unique wash mode to make window washing easy.

ment has a unique wash mode that allows homeowners to wash the exterior of the window from the inside of their home.

Reliability and Expertise

With so many window manufacturers in the marketplace, how do you know whom to trust? Choose a window manufacturer that is well established and has an excellent reputation. Remember, selecting high-quality windows is key, but having the right people installing those new windows is an important consideration.

To learn more about replacing your windows and the new and innovative Ultimate Replacement Casement window from Marvin Windows and Doors, visit www.MarvinCasement.com or call (888) 537-8268.

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