

Window Removal Instructions for Replacement Units

IMPORTANT! READ ALL INSTRUCTION IN ENTIRITY BEFORE PROCEEDING WITH INSTALLATION OF PRODUCT.

Follow all local building codes and practices required during installation. Elevate Windows and Doors LLC does not accept responsibility of its products due to water or air leakage resulting in damages surrounding the exterior window at the head, sill, jamb or otherwise as a result of faulty installation practices. All Elevate Windows and Doors LLC products are subject to quality control prior to shipment from the manufacturing facility. Poor performance in operation of the unit or otherwise as a result of poor installation methods is not the responsibility of Elevate Windows and Doors LLC and may result in void of warranty. The following instructions are based on best practices in accordance with industry standards of recommended installation methods.

Siding unit removal:

- 1) Remove any trim around the boundary of the existing window unit.
- 2) Remove any existing silicone from the edges of the existing unit.
- 3) Remove any existing siding from the edges of the existing unit to expose existing nail fin.
- 4) Using a hand drill, claw hammer or small utility pry bar remove all existing fasteners from existing unit and remove the unit.
- 5) Be aware when disposing of unit removed to the local availability of recycling in your area. This will also include disposal of materials with lead based paints.

Masonry unit removal:

- 1) Remove silicone from interior glass of existing unit.
- 2) Remove interior glass from existing unit.
- 3) Collapse frame starting at center of unit and remove from opening.

NOTE: VERIFY DIMENSIONS OF ALL EXISTING UNITS PRYOR TO ANY REMOVAL.

<u>Required tools</u>: hand drill, Philips head screwdriver, flat head screwdriver, silicone gun, utility knife, standard leveling tool, pry bar tool

<u>Required Safety wear</u>: hard hat, safety glasses, safety gloves, safety boots per OSHA requirements

<u>Required hardware</u>: required silicone, required #8x1 ½" fasteners, recommended 4" minimum flashing tape

Caution!

- WHEN DISPOSING MATERIAL, COLLECT AND CONTROL ALL YOUR WASTE. USE HEAVY PLASTIC SHEETS OR BAGS TO COLLECT WASTE. SEAL THE BAG SECURELY AND CONSIDER DOUBLE BAGGING WASTE TO PREVENT TEARS.
- LARGE COMPONENT MUST BE WRAPPED IN PROCTECTIVE SHEETING AND SEALED WITH TAPE.
- FOLLOW LOCAL GUIDANCE FOR PROPER RECYCLING AND DISPOSING OF THE WASTE.
- IF LEAD PAINT IS PRESENT IN THE DISPOSING MATERIAL, FOLLOW THE PROPER LEAD PAINT DISPOSAL GUIDANCE PROVIDED BY EPA, <u>HTTPS://WWW.EPA.GOV/LEAD/LEAD-SAFE-RENOVATIONS-DIYERS</u>
- ANY EVIDENCE OF PREVIOUS WATER INTRUSION MUST BE CORRECTED PRIOR TO THE INSTALLATION OF THE NEW UNIT.
- DO NOT BLOCK OR SEAL ANY WEEP HOLES FOUND ON THE WINDOW UNIT. NEARLY ALL WEEP HOLES ARE FOUND IN THE SILL OF THE WINDOW ON THE EXTERIOR OF THE UNIT AND AIDS IN PROPER DRAINAGE OF THE UNIT
- SPRAY OR CAN INSULATION FOAM SHOULD CONFORM TO AAMA 812-04 ANY DAMAGE OR FRAME BOWING (SILL, JAMB, HEAD OR OTHERWISE) AS A RESULT OF INCORRECT OR OVERLY EXPANDING FOAM WILL VOID WARRANTY
- STUCCO OR LIKE EXTERIOR WALL SURFACING MUST BE DESIGNED OR ENGINEERED WITH PROPER FENESTRATION DRAINAGE IN MIND.