



Prime Window and Patio Doors [Español? Mira aquí.](#)

QUALIFICATIONS

May be eligible for Single-family, Multifamily, manufactured homes. Primary heating must be electrical. Pre-existing windows and patio doors must be: (1) single-paned with/without storms, any frame type (e.g., metal, wood, or vinyl) or (2) double-pane, metal frame only.

The replacement windows must have an NFRC minimum U-value of 0.30 or 0.22 for windows, and 0.35 or 0.30 for patio doors.

Window and patio door measures in Single-family and manufactured homes must be installed according to the [BPA Residential Weatherization Specifications and Best Practices Guide](#).

Specification Checklist

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- Confirm all windows and patio doors are installed with NFRC stickers attached.
- Support the bottom rail of a patio door within ½ inch of the exterior edge of the frame.
- Ensure replacement window and window opening have been properly incorporated into the home's water-resistive barrier using proper flashing techniques for each specific window type.
- Verify windows are caulked and sealed properly including structural frame, exterior wood, frame, sash, trim, stops and sills. Use of backer rod or non-expanding foam and caulk where gaps are greater than 3/8 inch.
- Confirm all hardware and fasteners are aluminum, stainless steel or another noncorrosive material.
- Verify that windows operate smoothly and safely.
- Ensure jobsite is left clean and orderly. All scrap material, tools and equipment have been removed.

Connect with the local serving utility to confirm pre- and post-condition requirements.



Pre-Condition:

Single-paned with/without storms (metal, wood, or vinyl) or double-pane, metal frame only.

Post-Condition:

U-Values: Windows 0.30 - 0.22, Patio Doors 0.35 - 0.30



MINIMUM REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

You can use the [Optional Weatherization Data Collection Tool](#) to collect this information. Contact the serving [utility](#) for specifics on required documentation.

1. Description of home (Single-family, Multifamily or manufactured).
2. Number and square footage of windows or patio doors replaced.
3. Pre-condition (frame type, i.e., wood, metal, single- or double-paned).
4. Primary heating type.
5. Invoice showing order or purchase date, cost, post-condition U-value (NFRC stickers or other verification).
6. Documentation that the measure requirements have been met (e.g., manufacturer, model number, type, size and quantity of equipment or product installed or used).

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- Attic, Floor, Wall Insulation.
- Whole-House Air Sealing.
- HVAC Upgrades.

Installation Examples



Double-paned window, installed with proper flashing.



Uninsulated window with condensation.



Proper flashing window to weather barrier.
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Improperly flashed window.
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Backer rod for sealing around window.
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High-expansion foam, not appropriate around windows.



Backer rod and caulk complete seal around window frame.
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Incomplete seal around newly installed window.
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Proper fit window, level, and sealed.
Courtesy of Santa Fe Community College



Window install not sealed, improperly fit.
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