

Care & Maintenance of your Accurate Dorwin Windows & Doors

The choice to use fiberglass windows comes with many benefits; Fiberglass is structurally stronger than wood, PVC and aluminum, you won't be dealing with rotting, warping, twisting, shrinking, denting or bowing window frames. Fiberglass also requires less maintenance than its counterparts. No premature fading like vinyl, chipping or rotting like wood, or denting like aluminum, which also does not hold paint well. Impervious to water, UV rays and temperature extremes, fiberglass is truly a beautiful low-maintenance choice. The following guidelines will help you keep your Accurate Dorwin windows and doors looking great and working well for years to come.

Fiberglass Frames

Frames can be washed with mild, nonabrasive soap and water. Never use abrasive or acidic cleaners, as they may cause permanent damage to the finish. You should also avoid scraping the surface, or using tools that may scratch or damage the finish.

Always test cleaners in an inconspicuous area first and wipe dry when finished.

Glass

There are two different practices for cleaning glass. Either one can be used, or a combination of both.

- 1) Clean glass with a mixture of mild dish soap and water. When finished, rinse completely with clear water and wipe dry with a soft cloth.
- 2) Use a premixed vinegar-based cleaning solution with a soft, clean lint-free microfiber cloth or paper towel. You may also use ammonia free cleaners, such as Windex. If streaks remain after cleaning, rinse with clear water and wipe dry.

Never use any of the following on your windows or doors as they may damage the glass surface.

- Petroleum based cleaners
- Ammonia or alcohol based cleaners
- Caustic chemicals
- Razor blades, putty knives or abrasive pads
- High pressure water hoses

*Accurate Dorwin's warranty does not cover damage that occurs while cleaning glass.

Hardware & Weather-stripping

Hardware and weather-stripping should be looked at and maintained on a regular basis to ensure proper operation. The following tips should be used to avoid any problems.

- Periodically lubricate all window and door tracks, rollers, and hinges. This should be done once a year in most environments and twice a year in areas with high salt air.
- Regularly check weather-stripping to ensure windows and doors are sealing tightly.
- Occasionally vacuum the tracks on all doors and windows to remove any dirt or debris.
- Periodically inspect the weep holes on the exterior to make certain they are clear of any dirt or debris. Use a soft bottle-brush to clear openings, if necessary. (This will ensure that water is draining properly)