

Leading Window Manufacturer Says That Windows Must Be Inspected After Construction to Ensure Lasting Protection

Intus Windows, a Worldwide Leader in Window Manufacturing, offers advice on post-installation inspection and protection.

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/EINPresswire.com/ -- According to Aurimas Sabulis, managing director of Intus Windows (<http://wintuswindows.com/>), a worldwide leader in top-of-the-line [high performance window](#) products, post installation inspections are vital to any window installation project and says that the same care that is given to high-end window products before installation should be given throughout the construction process and after the project is complete.

“After installation, special attention by all trades should be given to construction activities in order to prevent exposure of glass in windows, doors and skylights to weld splatter, paint, plaster, sealants, fireproofing, alkali and chemical attack,” says Sabulis. “The subcontractor, general contractor, or builder should inspect and document the condition of all glazed materials on a daily basis.”

According to Sabulis, Intus suggests that glazing subcontractors should request, in writing, that the general contractor or builder remind other construction trades of the potential for irreparable damage to the glazed materials and to implement systems and procedures for protection.

He offers the following list of common conditions and causes that damage glass after installation has been completed:

Condition: Glass surface corrosion, characterized by permanent iridescent or white haze surface



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Premier 78 window

staining.

Cause: Glass got wet during storage due to reasons such as, but not limited to, being stored outside uncovered or extended storage with inadequate ventilation and/or improper glass separation.

Condition: Glass surface or edge damage.

Cause: Inadequate on-site protection; ill-advised or vulnerable storage locations; exposure to other trades.

Condition: Chemical attack, surface pitting, and hard to clean deposits.

Cause: Over spray and runoff of chemicals from sealing/cleaning of

concrete, masonry, roofing, etc.; inadequate protection and/or poor storage location.

Condition: Weld-splatter surface damage and reduction in glass strength.

Cause: Location of glass near welding; inadequate protection of stored or installed glass.



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Condition: Stubborn, tenacious surface deposits from concrete and masonry runoff, as well as hard water spotting.
Cause: Poor storage and/or protection of uninstalled glass; absence of prompt, interim cleaning of installed glass during construction.

“We urge all contractors and builders to make note of these common conditions and their causes,” Sabulis says. “At Intus, we recognize that Architectural glass products used in windows, doors and skylights for today’s residential and commercial building projects are more sophisticated than those used in earlier fenestration applications and, therefore,

are more susceptible to damage. Following proper construction site storage, installation guidelines, and general recommendations is essential to a successful window installation project.”

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