

## WHAT TYPES OF WINDOWS

# **BEST SUIT YOUR NEEDS?**

Windows are one of the most attractive features of a home, both inside and out. They let in light and must retain heat even in extreme conditions. Choosing the right shape and features, both in terms of energy efficiency and aesthetics, is very important and remains an undeniable asset to the value of your home.

Window types are defined by their materials and opening systems.

## 1- Choose from the opening systems

### **WINDOW TYPES**



## CASEMENT WINDOW

## Advantages:

- High air and water tightness
- Space-saving
- Full clearance when open

#### Notes:

- The exterior surface of the building must be unobstructed
- Provides little ventilation when it rains
- Opening restrictor required



## AWNING WINDOW

#### Advantages:

- No exterior obstruction
- Excellent ventilation
- High airtightness
- · Can be opened wide
- Can be cleaned from the inside

## Notes:

- More expensive hardware
- Opens inward
- Can become cumbersome





## **SLIDING WINDOW**

## Advantages:

- · Indirect ventilation
- Does not take up much space
- Less expensive

#### Notes:

 Less effective air tightness and water resistance



## TILT-AND-TURN WINDOW

## Advantages:

- · No external obstruction
- Excellent ventilation
- High airtightness
- · Can be opened wide
- Can be cleaned from the inside

#### Notes:

- More expensive hardware
- Opening inward can be cumbersome



## **HUNG WINDOW**

## Advantages:

- Indirect ventilation
- Does not take up much space

#### Notes:

- Traditional appearance
- More expensive than sliding windows



## FIXED WINDOW

## Advantages:

- High air and water tightness
- No hardware
- Inexpensive
- High visibility

#### Notes:

- No ventilation possible
- More difficult to clean from the outside



## 2- Choose the frame materials



**PVC FRAME** interior and exterior

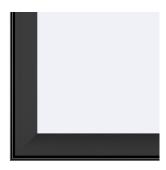
Thermal performance +++
Maintenance & Lifespan ++
Cost \$



**HYBRID FRAME** 

PVC interior and Aluminum exterior

Thermal performance +++
Maintenance & Lifespan +++
Cost \$\$



**ALUMINUM FRAME** 

interior and exterior

Thermal performance +
Maintenance & Lifespan +++
Cost \$\$\$

## 3- Choose the right glass

## DOUBLE GLAZING AND TRIPLE GLAZING

In Canada, all homes should have at least double glazing. In some areas, it may be more advantageous to opt for triple glazing to further reduce heat loss, condensation, and noise. The main advantage of multiple glazing is that the spaces between the panes can be filled with a Low-E film (argon gas).





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