

Windows

During cold weather, it may appear there are drafts around adequately glazed and weatherstripped windows.

With some possible exceptions such as extreme wind conditions, the draft felt may be vertical air movement over the face of the windows. This is due to convection as warm air rises and cool air drops.



Condensation

Windows have a limited heat loss resistance and are often the coolest component of the home's enclosure. Because of this characteristic, windows are the most common areas where condensation is most visible. As condensation occurs on the inside window surface, it may be a warning signal to reduce the humidity in your home. Condensation or frost on windows is not a warrantable item.



Tip:

A silicone lubricant or petroleum jelly is suggested for use on weatherstripping and tracks of windows. If your windows slide horizontally and have weep holes to the outside at the bottom track or frame, these must be kept clean to allow drainage. Use a brush to remove dust, debris or insects from window tracks on a regular basis.



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