Series 9300 Picture Window Installation Instructions

Installation Requires Knowledge of:
• AAMA Installation Instructions.
• Applicable Federal, State, Local Codes and Regulations.
• An Understanding of the Fundamentals of Residential Construction.
• A Working Knowledge of the Tools, Equipment and Methods Required for Installation.
• A Familiarity with Caulking, Sealing Procedures and Glass Handling Procedures.

The Installation covered here REQUIRES the following OPTIONAL items supplied by IWC:

Sill Plate
Exterior Trims
Interior Trims

Tools and Materials You Will Need
A few simple hand tools will aid in installation. Refer to the specific installation method instructions for materials required.

Hammer
Tape Measure
Broad Wood Chisel
Flat and Phillips-head Screwdrivers
Utility Knife
Drill
Square
Caulking Gun
Level
1. Measuring Window Opening

A. Measure the opening in your existing window. The narrowest measurements in your window opening, excluding the fixed and sash panels, will be the “daylight opening”. Measure existing daylight opening at the ends and the center. See Fig. 1. Deduct 1/4” from both the width and height of the daylight opening dimensions. A deduction for the distance between the top of the Sill Plate and the tallest wall on the existing sill is also needed to determine the “net frame size”. See Fig. 2. Consider the best location for installing the Sill Plate in the existing sill and then take your measurements.

2. Sill Plate Installation

A. Sill Plate should be cut to fit over existing sill and touch both existing jambs.

B. Horse Shoe shims or equal, are needed to support the Sill Plate at installation screw locations. Make sure Sill Plate is straight and level prior to fastening. Screws should be no more than 18” apart on center, with corner screws approximately 6” from jambs. See Fig. 3. Use #8 x 2” Phillips sheet metal screws. Length of screw may vary per job condition. Screws must be long enough to secure Sill Plate to existing wood sill. Anchor the exterior leg of the Sill Plate to the existing sill with #6 x 1/4” Phillips flat head sheet metal screws. Seal screw heads with an appropriate sealant after installing.

3. Frame Installation

A. Slide the new frame into the opening. See Fig. 4. Center frame between existing jambs and use shims to straighten and square frame. Wood filler blocks may be used to fill gaps between new and existing frames, but leave a small gap at the head for deflection. Measure frame diagonally across the corners to check for squareness. Adjust if needed.

B. This picture window comes with an interior sash that allows access for internal cleaning. The sash must be in the open position in order to install the window. An L shape janitor’s key should have come with the window for operating the locks on the interior sash. With the long end of the key, turn one lock counter-clock wise to unlock it. See Fig. 5. The lock is spring loaded, so a little pressure while turning is needed. Now, take the short end, the end with the two tabs, and unlock the second one. The key will remain in the lock and can be used as a handle for pulling the sash away.

C. With the sash fully extended, install the #8 x 1 1/2” Phillips sheet metal screws in the interior sash channel at head and jambs. See Fig. 6. An installation screw will have to be installed through the
hinge mechanism. Back out the center screw in the hinge and replace it with an installation screw. See Fig. 7. Make sure screw head does not interfere with hinge operation. Screws must be long enough to secure new frame to existing wood frame. Screws should be no more than 18” apart on center with corner screws approximately 6” from end. Care should be taken not to over tighten screws, this would avoid warping. Leave a 1/4” gap at the head for deflection between the frames.

4. Exterior Trim Installation

A. An optional flat trim material is available to finish off the exterior look. The trim material will be sealed with an appropriate sealant and snapped into the gap that follows the perimeter of the frame. See Fig. 8. Measure the pieces to the frame and with a sharp knife or a heavy scissor, make a 45° cut for a miter fit. Care should be taken not to over cut trim. See Fig. 9.

B. Use a recommended sealant for the type of job and materials being used to apply a continuous bead of sealant around the outer edge of the trim you just installed. See Fig. 10.

5. Interior Trim Installation

A flat vinyl interior trim is available for concealing the gap between the existing frame and the newly installed window. The trim is applied to the new frame with a double face tape. See Fig. 11. Measure and cut trim to fit. It is your option to use this trim or you may want to use a more decorative wood trim.
Wood trim, plant-ons, and pot shelves all require special precautions. When necessary under these conditions use metal flashing. Use metal flashing on any surfaces where water may not drain promptly.

- Seal all holes in the building paper including those caused by staples or nails.
- Interfaces between our products, flashing and the building's weather resistive barrier must be sealed with a sealant recommended for this application. We cannot recommend a particular type or manufacturer of sealant.
- Mulled windows require special treatment. Please consult instructions for your mulled conditions.
- Holes drilled for alarms may not be placed on sills or heads and must be sealed.
- Extreme weather conditions may cause water intrusion into your home and subsequent water damage. Consult a licensed engineer for an appropriate rating for expected local weather conditions.
- Do not apply film or tints to the surface of the glass. These products can cause insulated unit failure.
- To avoid the effects of electrolysis and chemical reaction to an aluminum sill, apply bituminous paint to raw masonry or concrete. You may also use a PVC liner to separate the metal frame from the substrate.

**SEMI-ANNUAL MAINTENANCE**

- Improperly maintained products will reduced the performance of any window or door. The sills and weeps must be cleaned regularly to allow for drainage. Water in the sill during a rainstorm is normal.
- Weather-strip should be cleaned and fluffed on a regular basis. Wearing of the wool pile is normal. Wool pile should be replaced if gaps between the weather-strip and frame appear.
- Harsh abrasive cleaners should never be used on frames or glass surface.
- If products are within 10 miles of the coast, metal surfaces should be cleaned with a fresh water rinse every one to three months. Car wax on the surface will provide some protection. Anodized or painted surfaces will help prolong the life and enhance appearance. Clean and lubricate hardware components with corrosion resistant spray or lubricant monthly to ensure proper performance. Silicone lubricant spray can be used on all operable components.

**REMOVAL OF OLD WINDOWS OR DOORS**

Some things to keep in mind when removing old products.

- Follow the EPA’s Lead Renovation, Repair and Painting Rule (RRP Rule) which requires that firms performing renovation, repair, and painting projects that disturb lead-based paint in homes, child care facilities and pre-schools built before 1978 have their firm certified by EPA (or an EPA authorized state), use certified renovators who are trained by EPA-approved train providers and follow lead-safe work practices. For more information visit www.epa.gov/lead.
- When removing products from a building IWC recommends that you follow local rules and regulations for disposal. Whenever possible, take window and door products or components to reuse or recycling centers and avoid disposing them in the landfill. Consult with your local recycling center for more information on programs in your area.

Installation Instructions: IWC provides installation instructions for common new construction and replacement applications found at www.intlwindow.com. Some IWC products have specific installation instructions which are also available on the website. For variations of these installation instructions or questions regarding alternative installation practices, call 1.800.477.4032 for more information.

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I have read the above instructions and understand the manufacturer’s recommendations.