



## Care Instructions

By following these routine care instructions, your Vector windows & doors will continue to operate at their best and look great. The Vector Lifetime Limited Warranty does not cover damage or defects related to a failure to follow the routine care instructions.

### Glass

Proper care of window glass allows the window to perform at its maximum effectiveness, whether it is clear or LoE. Avoid the cautions to prevent damaging the glass surface or destroying the insulating glass seal.

#### Guidelines

**Clean glass** with a mild dish soap and water or a standard liquid window cleaner. Rinse completely with clean water and wipe dry with a soft cloth to avoid water spots.

#### Cautions

**DO NOT USE** any petroleum based cleaners or caustic chemicals on the glass.

**DO NOT** clean glass with a razor blade, abrasive pad or putty knife.

**AVOID** washing glass in direct sunlight.

### Vinyl Surfaces

Proper care of vinyl surfaces will ensure a lifetime of beauty and performance for your Vector products. Avoid the cautions to prevent damage.

#### Guidelines

Wash the vinyl using a soft cloth or ordinary soft bristle brush.

#### Cautions

**DO NOT USE** cleaners containing aggressive organic solvents, such as chlorine bleach, liquid grease remover, nail polish remover, and oven cleaners, because they could affect the surface appearance of the vinyl.

### Water Drainage System

Your Vector product incorporates a low point, high pressure weep system, which uses small holes in the sill to route water to the exterior face of the window or door.

#### Guidelines

**If holes become** plugged with excess dirt and debris, use a piece of wire or a piper cleaner to clear debris from the exterior weep holes.

**In severe cases**, the snap in sill track may be removed with an allen wrench to expose the small unclogged openings in the sill frame.

### Hardware

Proper care of window hardware allows the window to perform at its maximum effectiveness.

#### Guidelines

**Lubricate moving parts** of hardware if not operating smoothly. Use a spray silicone product and avoid applying excessive amounts. Wipe up any drips/spills. In salt air environments, monthly lubrication may be necessary to preserve function.

**To clean screens**, first remove, then wash them on a clean flat surface with a mild soap and water solution using a soft brush. Rinse, dry, and reinstall.

**Inspect weather stripping** on operable windows to ensure it seals evenly when closed.

**Ensure the track area** is kept clean. Vacuum accumulated dirt and dust.

### Mold & Condensation

Water condensation is often a warning that there is excessive moisture in your home that may facilitate mold growth. Condensation on window interior surfaces results from higher moisture in the air contacting low temperature surface on the glass. The higher the interior humidity and the lower the external temperature, the more condensation can occur.

#### Guidelines

**Check all window sashes** for smooth and regular operation. Increase interior home ventilation and air exchange devices if needed.

**Use exhaust fans**, especially when showering.

**Consider installing** a dehumidifier. Use ceiling fans to improve air circulation.

**Open windows & doors** when practical to allow interior moisture to escape.