

Perma-Buk Pro Window Block Wall Installation Guidelines

We do not recommend any one specific installation method over another for replacing **basement windows** as there are multiple ways to install them based on different situations BUT here are a few general hints.

***** Installation must comply with all applicable building codes for your area *****

- 1) Measure the window & rough opening to be certain that the new window will fit BEFORE purchasing. For a masonry installation, it is recommended that the new window frame size be 1/4" to 1/2" smaller than the rough opening rather than having to make the opening larger. By allowing the approximately 1/4" –1/2" larger rough opening it will allow for the window to be installed plumb and square.
- 2) Inspect the new window to make sure it is the correct size, works properly and that all parts are present.
- 3) After removing the old window, if applicable, make sure the opening is clean and level. Use a towel or dry brush to remove debris and dust from the frame opening before installing new window.
- 4) Dry fit the new window to make sure that it will fit the opening. If needed, adjust the opening to fit (a little at a time).
- 5) **VERIFY THAT THE WINDOW IS BEING INSTALLED RIGHT SIDE IN AND RIGHT SIDE UP!!!!**
- 6) Apply a mortar wash to the sill of the window opening between the top of the block and bottom of window. Install the window, making sure that it is level, square and plumb in the opening. It's recommended that 2 installation holes be drilled through each side jam and 3 into the head jam of the window, through the inside sill track area, and into the concrete or block. Secure the window into opening using masonry type screws without over tightening so not to distort the window frame.
- 7) **DO NOT drill installation holes into the bottom sill, excess water will weep into the wall and can cause damage!**
- 8) Depending upon your method of installation, fill gap between window and the concrete block with a fiberglass insulation, Door & Window **Low Expansion** foam (without overfilling as to not distort the window frame) or a mortar wash. A good grade of Silicon caulk may be used to seal interior and exterior edges between frame and concrete.
- 9) ***To avoid property damage, it is important to keep your window clean on the outside as well as the inside and to be sure that the weep holes are not blocked and working properly!***

