CertainTeed Windows and Patio Doors Operating Instructions

CertainTeed high performance windows and patio doors are designed to provide style, thermal efficiency and long lasting performance. A little care is needed to keep them in top operating condition for many years.

Sills should be kept clean and when practical, windows and doors should be locked for maximum weather seal and security.

Slider window sills should be kept clean so that they glide easily and seal tightly. Drain holes, located in each glide track, should be kept open. Should there ever be a need to get under the glide track, remove sash and use a crochet needle to hook the drain hole and pull the glide track up and out.

Urban areas generally have varying degrees of air pollution. To ensure smooth, continuous service, all hinges and operators should be protected annually with a clear dry Teflon® spray lubricant.

A nite vent (when fitted) allows some ventilation. Recognize that any open window invites possible risk, however. To use the nite vent, with the window shut, press on nite vent and slide up; let it pop out. Open sash against stop to restrict sash movement

Screens (when fitted) should be washed as needed. Wire screening may be shellacked, varnished or coated with boiled linseed oil. Synthetic screening needs no preservative.

CertainTeed double-hung vinyl windows are fitted with an easy-lift balance system. Whatever position the sash is in, the window will only need minimal pressure to open or close. No window should be slammed.

While casement and awning windows and garden window vents provide excellent ventilation, you should be aware that under high wind situations, the window could become damaged if left open.

Both the garden window glass shelf and the sloped glass top have been tempered for strength and safety. WARNING: It is very important not to overload the glass shelf of the garden window. The shelf can support a total load of 50 lbs. Exceeding the 50 lb load limit will cause the glass to fail and shatter.

CertainTeed vinyl windows and doors are thermally efficient, and so the insulating glass and chambered vinyl frame should be virtually free of condensation. Should you experience condensation, it should be a signal that your home's interior humidity level exceeds the maximum recommended by building authorities (like the National Warm Air Heating Association).

The chart below shows the maximum recommended interior humidity levels, based on 70°F interior temperature.

OUTSIDE TEMP.	INSIDE RELATIVE HUMIDITY
-20°F AND BELOW	15%
-10°F TO -20°F	20%
0°F TO -10°F	25%
10°F TO 0°F	30%
20°F TO 10°F	35%
40°F TO 20°F	40%

