



## **Windows Condensation – Maintenance Tips**

During winter, you may notice condensation appear on your new windows, even though you didn't see this on your old windows. Interior window condensation is caused by excessive moisture in the house, and it often occurs in the winter when the warm air inside the house has nowhere to escape.

Some homes produce more condensation than others depending on daily activities (e.g. showering and cooking), house layouts, and HVAC systems. If you see water on the windows and you can wipe it off, your home's humidity level has to be adjusted.

## Here are some tips on how to reduce the condensation.

- 1. Make sure the humidity level is below 30%. You can measure it with a hygrometer.
- 2. If you have a humidifier adjust it accordingly.
- 3. Plants release moisture into the air, so if you have a number of plants by your windows, moving them to a different place can help reduce condensation on the windows.
- 4. Make sure furniture is not blocking any heating vents.
- 5. Use your bathroom and kitchen fans every time you cook or shower.
- 6. Make sure to open your blinds, shutters, and curtains to improve air circulation around your windows.
- 7. Open windows for 5 minutes to air out the moisture in the house.