

Film Installation Guide to Preventing Glass Failure









What Causes Glass Breakage?

Glass breakage is caused by stress on the glass. There are five types of stress which may cause glass to break:

- 1. Thermal Stress from absorption of solar radiation
- 2. Tensile Stress from the weight of the glass itself
- 3. Mechanical Flexing Stress from wind pressure
- 3. Impact Stress from flying objects such as hail or storm debris
- 4. Twisting Stress from a building or window frame sagging or settling

The first type, thermal stress, is the only type affected by the installation of window film. The use of window film will increase thermal stress on sunlit glass. However, there are other factors which increase thermal stress such as partial shading of windows from overhangs, tightly fitted drapes or blinds, signs and decals on windows, and heating or cooling vents directed at glass. In addition, different types of glass (annealed or tempered, clear or tinted) have different solar absorption rates and will withstand differing degrees of thermal stress.

Warranty Coverage

Please refer to your Madico warranty for specific limitations and restrictions for certain situations and glass types.



How to Use This Chart

The Madico Film Installation Guide is designed to help you choose the proper film and glass combinations in order to achieve the best performance for your customer and avoid costly glass breakage claims.

Use the table to find your glass type at the top, then move down to see what films are compatible with that glass type. If the film you are considering has a caution statement, please contact Madico for approval before installing this product.

Madico recommends using film-to-glass tables to make sure the product chosen for the installation will be safe for the type of glass being filmed. If you have any questions about this chart or encounter an additional film and glass combinations not shown here, please contact the Madico Technical Services department at 727-327-2544.

Reported solar performance values are typical properties and should not be used as a specification. Since only the user is aware of the specific conditions in which the product is to be used, it is the user's responsibility to determine whether the product is suitable for that intended use. If the specific conditions of use are critically dependent on any of the properties of the product, or if you need further information of any sort, contact Madico's Technical Services Department.











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					Single Pane				Dual Pane					Inboard/Outboard		Low E						Triple Pane				Laminated			
Product					Clear Annealed		H/S Tempered Tinted Annealed		Clear Annealed		Outboard Tinted Inboard Tinted			Tempered		Standard Plus or E2		or E2	Plus Plus or E3		Clear/Clear/Clear Clear/Clear/Lov				Clear or Tinted	Product			
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