

Energy Efficient UPVC Windows

What are they and how do they work?

Energy Efficient Unplasticized Polyvinyl Chloride (UPVC) windows feature frames that are made from durable, low maintenance materials. They are widely used in modern homes and buildings due to their strength, thermal efficiency and weather resistance.



Benefits

- May help reduce energy bills by improving the thermal insulation
- Many UPVC window installs will also come with double glazing, acting as an extra insulation barrier, helping to keep heat inside during colder months and outside during warmer months
- Easy to maintain as they don't require painting, treatment, or sealing. Can be cleaned with just soap and water
- Resistant to rot, corrosion or weather damage. Do not decay like wooden frames
- Double or triple glazing used in UPVC windows reduced external noise, ideal for homes in noisy environments

Things to consider

- Some homeowners may find UPVC windows too modern in design, which may not offer the same natural look at the previous windows
- Can sometimes lead to internal condensation if property not properly ventilated
- May not be a permitted development on a listed building
- Will need freeholder permission if property is shared ownership

Funding Expectations with Action Surrey

Funded: Surveys, install equipment, labour costs, scaffolding (if required) electrical commissioning. Lodgement with Trustmark.

Not funded: Planning permission applications (for conservation areas or listed buildings). Specific models will not necessarily be funded. Additional requirements should be discussed with installer.























