

**MI HOME PRODUCTS**  
**- PRIME ALUMINUM WINDOWS -**  
**INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS FOR**  
**"NAIL FIN" PRODUCTS**

MI Home Products appreciates your recent purchase of a maintenance free prime window, which will not rust, rot, mildew, or warp. This is a quality product that left our factory in good condition – proper handling and installation are just as important as good design and workmanship. Please follow these recommendations to allow this product to complete its function.

1. Handle units one at a time in the closed and locked position and take care not to scratch frame or glass or to bend the nailing fin.
2. Set unit plumb and square into opening and make sure that there is  $3/16" \pm 1/16"$  clearance around the frame. Fasten unit into opening in the closed and locked position, making sure that fasteners are screwed in straight in order to avoid twisting or bowing of the frame. Make sure that sill is straight and level. Check operation of unit before any and all fasteners are set.
3. Use # 8 sheet metal or wood screws with a minimum of 1" penetration into the framing (stud). Place first screws (two at each corner) 3" from end of fin. For positive and negative DPs (design pressures) up to **35**, do not exceed **24"** spacing of additional screws. For DPs from **35.1** to **50**, do not exceed **18"**. Install load bearing shim adjacent to each anchor. Use shim where space exceeds  $1/16"$ .
4. Flash over head and caulk outside perimeter in accordance with code requirements and good installation practices.
5. Fill voids between frame and construction with loose batten type insulation or non-expanding aerosol foam specifically formulated for windows and doors to eliminate drafts. The use of expanding aerosol type insulating foam, which can bow the frame, waives all stated warranties.
6. Remove plaster, mortar, paint and any other debris that may have collected on the unit and make sure that sash/vent tracks and interlocks are also clear. Do not use abrasives, solvents, ammonia, vinegar, alkaline, or acid solutions for clean-up, especially with insulated glass units as their use could cause chemical breakdown of the glass seal. Take care not to scratch glass; scratches severely weaken glass and it could eventually break from thermal expansion and contraction. Clean units with water and mild detergent as you would your automobile.

**- CAUTION -**

MI Home Products or its representatives are unable to control and cannot assume responsibility for the selection and placement of their products in a building or structure in a manner required by laws, statutes, and/or building codes. The purchaser is solely responsible for knowledge of and adherence to the same. MI Home Products window products are not provided with safety glazing unless specifically ordered with such. Many laws and codes require safety glazing near doors, bathtubs, and shower enclosures. Also be aware of emergency egress code requirements.

Corporate Headquarters:  
650 West Market St.  
Gratz, PA 17030-0370  
(717) 365-3300

*YJK*  
02-20-02