

Reviewing the following items will help minimize disruptions and streamline the installation of your new Armorcoat safety and security window film.

## **Before** Your New Film is Installed

### **KNICK-KNACKS AND WINDOW TREATMENTS**

Remove all items such as plants, pictures and miscellaneous knick-knacks from the windowsills and surrounding area. It is also wise to position window treatments to allow for easy access to the windows. Window treatments may occasionally require removal to accommodate the installation process. This should be discussed and noted on the Estimate-Proposal agreement.

### **FURNITURE**

Remove and/or re-arrange any furniture that may hinder the installer's access to the windows. The installer may need to move heavy furniture. This should be discussed and noted on the Estimate-Proposal agreement.

### **AIRBORNE CONTAMINATION**

To minimize airborne contamination during the installation, close all air conditioning and heating vents in the vicinity of the windows scheduled for film installation. This will reduce the amount of dust and lint in the air. It is also wise to clean floors and vacuum carpeting a day before the film installation begins. Remove all pets from the facility during the installation.

### **PRE-INSTALLATION INSPECTION**

With the dealer, take a few moments to inspect all windows before the installation begins. During the pre-installation inspection, it is a good practice for both parties to note broken glass, loose panes and/or any imperfections in the glass. Stickers, alarm systems and/or any other items affecting the installation should be discussed and noted on the Estimate-Proposal agreement.

### **GLASS BREAKAGE HISTORY**

It is very important to tell your dealer if the building or home has a history of glass breakage and/or IG unit seal failure. This information will help assist your dealer in the selection of a proper window film. Failing to disclose a glass breakage and/or IG unit seal failure history could cause a film selection error and/or void the warranty coverage.

## **After** Your New Film is Installed

### **FILM DRY-OUT TIME**

During the installation process, your dealer will remove as much of the mounting solution as possible, although a small amount will remain. Trapped installation moisture can cause small water bubbles and/or a slightly cloudy look. This is normal and should be expected. Do not attempt to pierce a water bubble during the dry-out period. Water bubbles and a cloudy look will eventually dissipate. Attempting to pierce a water bubble in an effort to drain moisture will damage your film. This damage is not covered by the warranty.

### **CLIMATE CONDITIONS & DRY-OUT TIME**

Film type selection and climate conditions will determine the dry-out period you experience. While warm weather and direct sun light exposure will shorten the dry-out time, cooler climates, shaded areas, non-sunny weather conditions and thicker films can lengthen the drying. If slow drying occurs, do not become alarmed. The trapped moisture will dry-out completely. Dry-out times can vary from a few days to as much as 6 months.

### **CLEANING**

Do not clean the film for 30 days after installation. This will help secure proper curing of the special mounting adhesive to the glass.

### **CLEANING SOLUTIONS**

Most glass cleaners will work well, although a good cleaning solution for window film is  $\Omega$  ounce of liquid dish soap added to 1 quart of fresh water.

### **CLEANING MATERIALS**

Always use fresh clean, soft materials to wash and dry your window film surfaces. A clean soft cloth or synthetic sponge is recommended for washing the window film followed by another clean soft cloth or soft rubber squeegee for drying.

*To avoid scratching the film, do not use bristle brushes, paper towels, abrasive scrubbing sponges, or any cleaning materials that may have been contaminated with dirt particles, as is commonly the case when washing interior and exterior windows with the same cleaning supplies.*

